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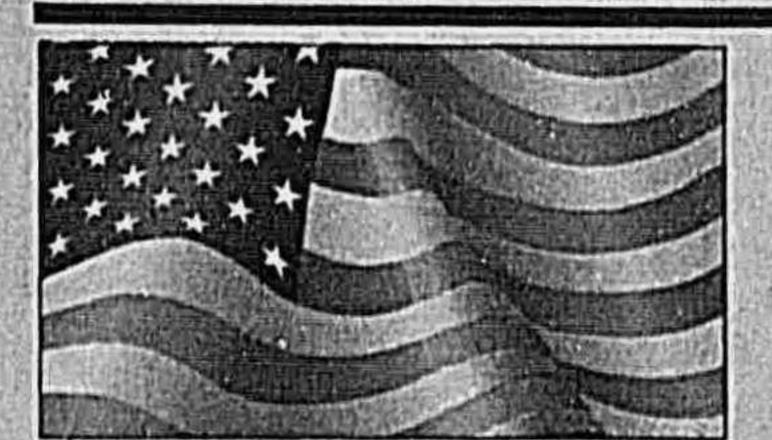
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# <sup>1</sup> Liquor sting bites 3 Antioch businesses

By JULIE MURPHY jmurphy@lakelandmedia.com

Three businesses in unincorporated Antioch were stung in the Lake County Sheriff's Office underage liquor compliance sting. The operation took place during the month of December with 10 additional businesses besides those in Antioch being in violation of local ordinances.

In all 13 instances, underage decoys were recruited to enter businesses and attempt to purchase alcohol while being monitored by members of the Lake County Sheriff's Criminal Investigations Division. If a clerk sold alcohol to a decoy, investigators would reportedly go into the store, identify themselves and issue a citation for unlawful sale of alcohol to a minor.

Alcohol was returned to the businesses and money returned to the police.

"This is just part of the checks and said Sgt. balances system," Christopher Thompson. "Sheriff (Gary) Del Re is always concerned with underage drinking, so we check for these things periodically."

Thompson said many clerks in many establishments did their jobs, checked identification and turned away the underage parties. Clerks who were issued citations will be required to make a court appearance and could face fines, community service or be required to take a class to better prepare them for their responsibilities.

"The fact that these establishments were only charged with violating local ordinances does not mean that in the future they couldn't be charged with violations at the state level that carry stiffer penalties," Thompson said.

Individual clerks from the Kwik Pantry on Grass Lake Road, the Mobil Station on Route 173 and the BP Station on Route 45 were issued citations for selling alcohol to minors.

Thompson said, "This shows that there is a need to tighten belts, and to see that these clerks are trained so that they will check identification and not allow this to happen."

Clerks at four businesses in Wadsworth, another four in Beach Park, as well as one each in Gurnee and Gages Lake were also issued citations.

# Santa needs break until next year

By JULIE MURPHY jmurphy@lakelandmedia.com

Though unseasonably warm weather may have disappointed those who were dreaming of a white Christmas, it thrilled children (and their parents) who showed up in droves at Santa's Castle for an opportunity to meet the merry-maker in person.

"It was really a great year," said Barbara Porch, executive director of the Antioch Chamber of Commerce and Industry. "Over 3,200 people went through the castle, 750 in the last three days."

She said that given that Santa's Castle is only open for limited hours on 26 days prior to Christmas that the average reached about 125 people per day.

"The coldest day was the opening day on the Friday after Thanksgiving," Porch said. "Other than that, we had really great weather, and it didn't keep people from waiting in line."

We couldn't do it without the Santas who come back every year, and new ones joining in. We really have to thank them.'

Barbara Porch

Porch said the success of the event is due to Antioch's spirit of volunteerism.

Porch said additional help comes from the Antioch Woman's Club whose members work as Santa's helpers and keep things smooth and orderly. Additionally, II Blinkers is credited with outfitting the Santas throughout the month that the castle is open.

"Our friends at IJ Blinkers make sure we have the bestdressed Santas," Porch said. "A big thank you needs to go out to everyone who helped to make this a success. As with all village events, the public works department is quietly working behind the scenes with smiles making sure the castle is both set up and tucked away again to wait for next year when it's over."

# Honor bound

'Granted we both get our

share of mortar rounds

that pay us a visit from

time to time, but we have

our guardian angels'

Chris Kramer Sr.

Army sergeant

A father and son together in Iraq, separated by war

#### First in a series

By MARC JENKINS mjenkins@lakelandmedia.com

Chris Kramer Sr. didn't see his son Chris Jr. this holiday. He also won't be seeing his wife and other three sons anytime soon.

Being away from his family was to be expected when he was swept from his life four months ago to fight in a war most peo-

ple think is over. But to now be so close to his son Chris Kramer Jr., fighting the same war on the same soil, yet so far apart, is testing the bonds of one father-son rela-

tionship. While Chris

Sr., an Army sergeant who specializes in nuclear/biological/chemical warfare prepares to move on to Mosul, Iraq, he is also desperately searching for his son, also in the Army—a medic stationed near Baghdad.

"I have been begging my chain of command to see my son," Chris Sr. said Tuesday in an e-mail from Tikrit, minutes from where Saddam Hussein was captured last month. "If I don't get to see my son it will probably kill me. Not in the real sense mind you, but as a father I want

nothing more than to see my son."

As Chris Jr.'s commanding officers keep him anchored near Iraq's capital city of Baghdad, it is entirely up to the father to seek out his son. The installation his father is in has an active aviation unit, that travels to Baghdad each day.

However, getting the powers that be to let him go is another thing, Chris Sr. said. "As for not being able to see my son, it hurt(s) me deeply."

Chris Jr.'s unit is expected to leave for Kuwait soon while his father goes on to Mosul, 120 miles to the north.

And if the two do not cross paths in Iraq soon, they may not for years. Chris Sr. is "in country" until November. Chris Jr. is slated to

> come home later. this month but. will likely return to Iraq in about 6-8 months.

"About the time I go to leave he could very well come back here," Chris Sr. said. "So if you figure like I figure, we may keep missing

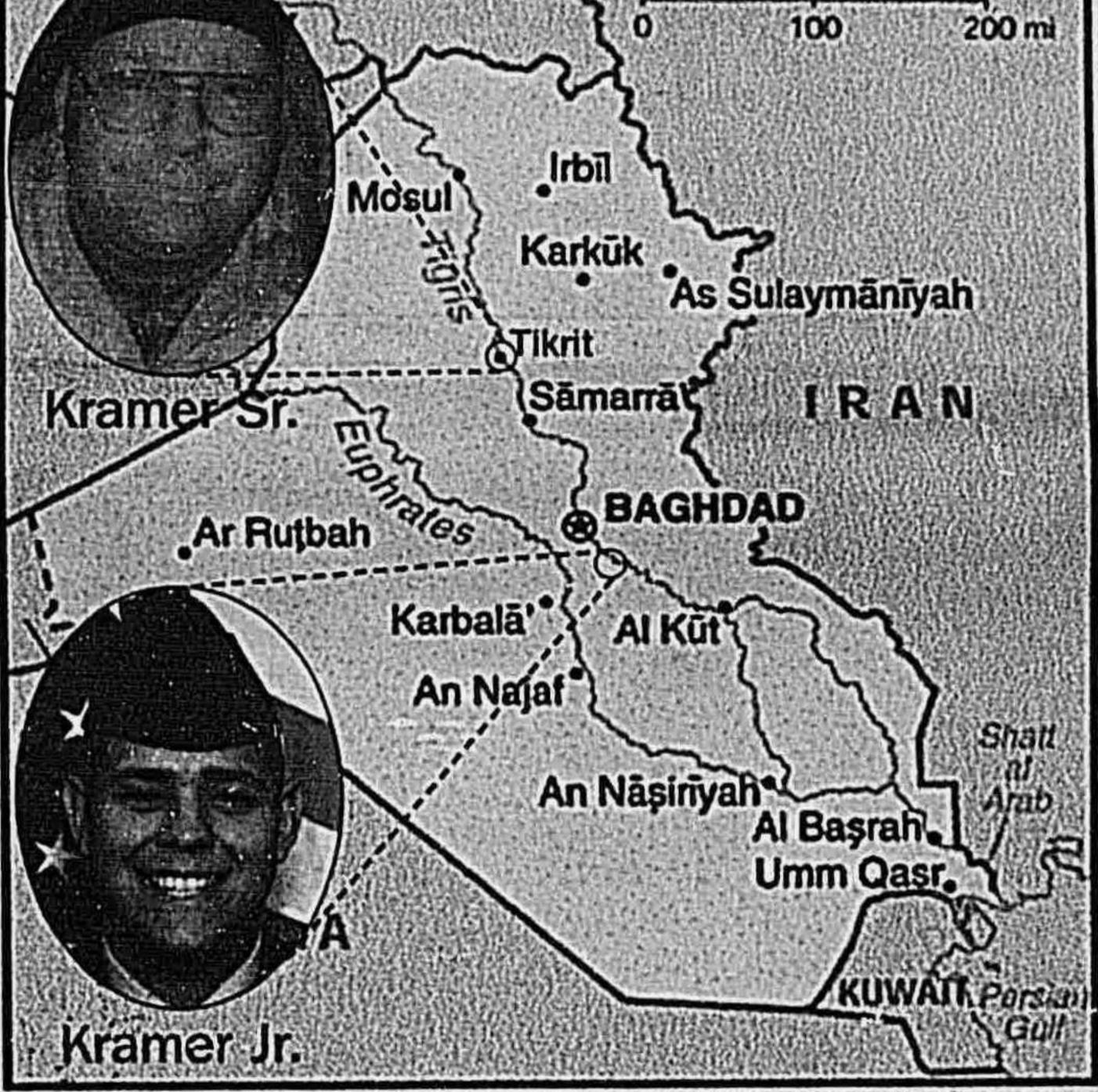
another for the next several years."

#### A family's duty

Chris Jr. epitomized the son of a military man. G.I. Joes, pint-sized uniforms, playing with toy soldiers was everyday life for the boy.

"He always wanted to do what his father was doing," said his mom, Donna Kramer. "He tried to do dad's humor. He tried to mock him anyway he could."

While the son gains experience by the day, the father draws from his



While Chris Kramer Sr. prepares to leave Tikrit for Mosul, his son stays on the front lines as a medic near Baghdad.

experience from another conflict he served in—the Gulf War in 1991.

"This is by far much easier," Chris Sr. said of the action in Iraq. "The living conditions are considerably better and the food is fantastic, no kidding. The Army is spending a small fortune to feed us like kings and it shows."

Because of his situation, contact between Chris Jr., and his father and family in Round Lake Park is infrequent and he could not be reached for comment for this week's story.

But Chris Sr. was able to give his son, who has grown up in his shadow, emulating him every step of the way, some sound advice before he left for Iraq. Advice similar to that

#### Look for next week's installment on Page 1 of the Lake County section

father—who served Vietnam—gave him years ago.

"I asked him if he was willing to lay down his life for his country and his fellow soldiers," Chris Sr. said. "To which he replied, 'absolutely'. Then I told him he was ready for the military. When he told me he was coming to Iraq, I was not scared as many parents would be, but glad for him.

"Am I scared for my son? strangely, no. Granted, we both get our share of mortar rounds that pay us a visit from time to time, but we have our guardian angels."



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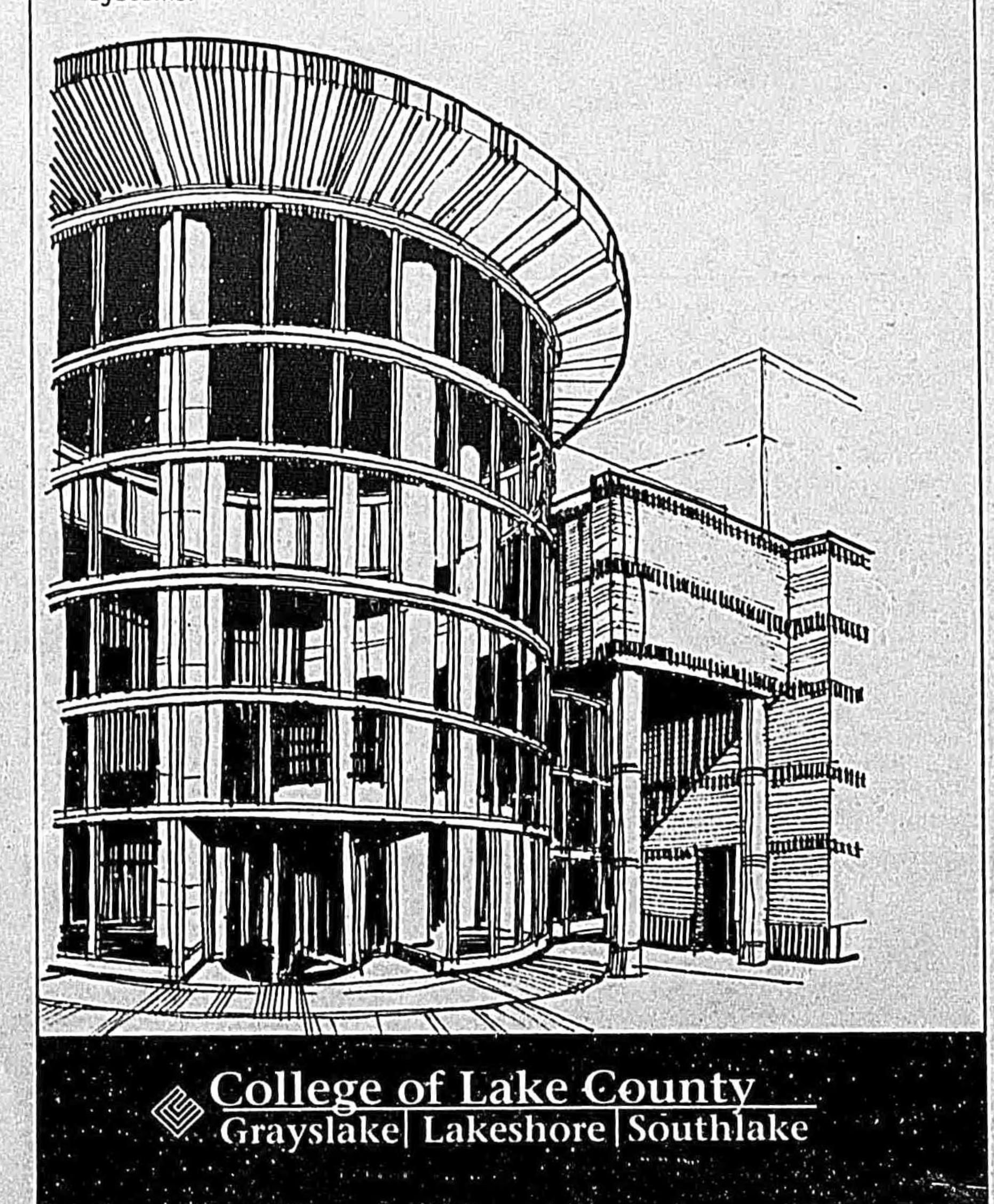
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Given from the heart

Antioch Upper Grade School Principal Eric Skoog thanks State Rep. JoAnn Osmond (R-Antioch) for donating an Automatic External Defibrillator to the school to be used in an emergency.— Photo by Sandy Bressner

# Amber Misek finds Frosty

#### Children search high and low as part of contest

By JULIE MURPHY. jmurphy@lakelandmedia.com

Seven-year-old Amber Misek, of Antioch found the greatest number of Frosty the Snowman decorations in the storefronts of Antioch venders and is taking home \$100 in Chamber of Commerce and Industry gift certificates for her trouble. She found the special Frosty marked with an "A" on its chest and will receive an additional certificate from the Baskin-Robbins/Dunkin Donuts for a tasty treat.

"We were really pleased with the number of children who participated in this contest," said Barbara Porch, executive director of the chamber, which sponsors the event. "Real snowmen would have melted with the nice weather we've been

having, but it made it more comfortable. for families to walk around town and look for Frosty."

In addition to the certificate issued to Amber, Baskin-Robbins/Dunkin Donuts will be mailing out certificates to the 17 other children who succeeded in finding the special Frosty.

Porch added, "I'm extremely impressed that the big, inflatable 'Find Frosty' over by Santa's Castle was left untouched. It really says a lot about what a nice community Antioch is that families can participate in events like this and it works out the way it's supposed to work out."

Porch thanked the merchants who chose to hide Frosty in store windows, as it wouldn't have been an event without their efforts.

# Keep PM&L singing, dancing, acting

PM&L has something different planned for the new year and hopes to raise some extra funds to keep it operating at its best. It's hosting a "Winter

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Wonderland" fundraising concert Jan. 10 at 8 p.m. that will mainly feature Broadway showtunes.

"We have a magical, musical evening planned," said Betty Smouse, publicity director. "The show will last approximately two hours and will have an intermission with refreshments."

The concert will feature many of PM&L's regular singers and pianists.

Tracy Kiederlen of Antioch, Murry Holmstrom of Bristol, Wis., and Paul Bleadow of Kenosha, Wis., will take turns at the piano.

Antioch singers include Donna Abear, Ken and Betty Smouse, Fran and Trish Jansta, Michelle Self and Roz Ohlinger. Additionally, Alice Byrne and Jim Olson of Pleasant Prairie, Wis.; Mark and Donna Badtke of Genoa City, Wis.; Josh and Mary St. John of Round Lake Beach; Lori Jo Metz of Gurnee; Mary Campbell of Palatine; Bob Wang of Bristol, Wis.; and Chris Jones of Lindenhurst will contribute to the vocals.

Reservations can be made beginning Monday Jan. 5. Box office hours are through Thursday from 5:30-7:30 p.m. and at 6:30 p.m. on the night of the show.

"This should be a fun evening," Smouse said: "Help keep PM&L singing, dancing and acting - live on Main Street."



Artist Roger Shule, president of the Antioch Fine Arts Foundation, shows some of his work that is on display at SuzAnne's Custom Framing in downtown Antioch.— Photo by Candace H. Johnson

# SuzAnne's hosts solo art show

By JULIE MURPHY jmurphy@lakelandmedia.com

Roger Shule, president of the Antioch Fine Arts Foundation for the two years since its inception, will exhibit his artwork in a solo art show hosted by SuzAnne's Custom Framing on Main Street.

"I have 18 pieces selected, but I don't know if there will be room to display all of them," Shule said of his work, which that is mostly representational watercolor.

Shule retired the spring of 2003 from the Antioch Upper Grade School after having taught there 14

years. Originally from a small town south of Kankakee, he said that much of his work reflects his roots through landscapes, barns and florals, with some interior subject

"Since I've retired, I've been able to paint more," he said. "As part of my retirement, my wife took me to Paris and I made notecards from sketches of Montmartre where artists gather to work."

In addition to watercolor, Shule said calligraphy and letterforms have always been part of his artistic makeup and that in the past he has incorporated calligraphy into some

clay platters.

"I've always really liked letterforms and have created cards that had calligraphy on the inside," he

Shule said that all of the pieces exhibited would be for sale. In addition to originals, he will have prints of different sizes and cards for sale.

He said some of the pieces are smaller and some are larger. Some have been framed and others have not been so that they can be framed

SuzAnne's is open every day except Monday. The phone number is 847-395-2570.

# honors grade school Messay winners

Students awarded savings bonds at recent 'Voice of Democracy' dinner

By JULIE MURPHY jmurphy@lakelandmedia.com

Antioch VFW Post 4551 and the Ladies Auxiliary will honor students who have won the youth essay writing contests "Voice of Democracy" for high-schoolers and "Patriot's Pen" for seventhand eighth-graders.

Both the Antioch Upper Grade School (AUGS) and St. Peter School had a good showing of contestants. More than 300 students competed within the Fifth District of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

and eighth-grade students competing in the Patriot's Pen contest was "My Dream for America." Essays were presented blindly to a panel of judges who evaluated and scored them to determine winners.

Kalli Krumpos took first place for AUGS; Jenna Salak and Katherine Kowalczyk took second

and third place, respectively.

Due to the large number of entrants from St. Peter, the On Saturday, Jan. 10, the school had three first-place representatives, two of whom may be eligible to go on to the state competition in Springfield, Feb. 7 and 8. Caitlin Kanvik, Kevin Stone and Ian Tune will find out at the dinner if they are either first-, second- or third- place winners representing the entire district.

Alexa Orticelli and Andrew Rapinchuk took second and third place, respectively, for the school.

In addition to certificates of achievement and American flag lapel pins, the VFW and the The theme for the seventh Ladies Auxiliary presented firstplace winners with \$100 savings bonds, second-place winners with \$75 savings bonds and third place winners with \$50 savings

Students become eligible for increasing amounts of scholarship money as the contest progresses through the national



Two of the three first-place winners of the Patriot's Pen competition at St. Peter School have placed first, second or third within the entire Fifth District of the VFW and will continue onto the next level of competition in a youth essay writing contest. Caitlin Kanvik, Kevin Stone, Ian Tune, who took first place, are pictured with Alexa Orticelli (second place) and Andrew Rapinchuk (third place). Back row (right to left): Nancy Pines, junior high language arts teacher; Patty-Jo Rapanos, Ladies Auxiliary President; Elaine O'Donnell, attaché for the contest; Ed Mrozinski, VFW Post 4551 contest chair; and Bill Oerly, VFW Post 4551 Commander, presented award certificates and savings bonds to the winning students.

# Village approves increased tax levy

By JULIE MURPHY jmurphy@lakelandmedia.com

There was nothing outstanding about the proposed 2003 tax levy for the fiscal year ending April 30, 2004, so the levy was approved by the board of directors of the village of Antioch prior to the Dec. 31 deadline as required by law.

No one spoke against the tax levy at the public hearing and the

ordinance was approved unanimously with trustees Scott Pierce and Larry Hanson absent.

The corporate and special purpose property taxes extended for 2002 were about \$1.6 million. Taxes being sought for 2003 for these purposes are nearly \$1.8 million, a 12 percent increase.

Taxes extended for debt service for 2002 were a little over \$300,000. A 31 percent increase, or

nearly \$400,000, is being sought for 2003.

The total property taxes extended for 2002 were about \$1.9 million. The estimated total property taxes to be levied for 2003 are nearly \$2.2 million, and represent a 15 percent increase over the previous year.

The taxes are levied for corporate uses, police and fire protection, the police pension fund, bonded indebtedness, social security, general liability, workmen's compensation and municipal retirement.

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# District 34 hosts referendum kick-off

ntioch Community Consolidated District 34 lost its Educational Fund referendum last spring, but is hoping measures will be approved this spring. Without an increase, the district will have to consider cutting programs to prevent deficit spending in the future.

A kick-off event has been scheduled for Saturday, Jan. 10 at 10 a.m. in the cafeteria of the Antioch Upper Grade School. Childcare will be provided for school-age children. The election will be held on

March 16.

The district is encouraging concerned citizens, parents and school staff to attend the meeting "to learn more about the referendum and join in the effort."

District 34 sought a \$.58



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Julie Murphy

increase from \$2.081 to \$2.66 for the last election.

"The committee will have to establish what increase it will be seeking, but it won't be less than the \$.58," said Superintendent John Hunt, previously. "It can't be. We would like for it to stay at the \$.58, but we'll have to see."

For the last election, the committee never looked at the possibility of making cuts to keep the budget in check in the event the referendum failed. Hunt said, "We'll have to do that this time."

A Budget Advisory Reduction Committee has been established and is reportedly in the process of discussing cuts that "will result in the loss of many programs that are well respected and well established."

Voter registration will be a feature of this informal meeting. Those who are either new to the district, or otherwise unregistered, are encouraged to do so.

If you have interesting information or anecdotes to submit for "Our Town" call staff reporter Julie Murphy at 847-223-8161, ext. 600 or e-mail, moorfie@ix.netcom.com

## SCHOOL DIGEST

#### Students learn from Bulls

The students of Antioch Community High School's JILG (Jobs for Illinois Graduates) class attended a career day with the Chicago Bulls and were treated to a game afterwards.

Individuals associated with the team made presentations about various careers within sports entertainment including sales, marketing, accounting and media.

JILG reporter Rachel Foresta said the fact that most of the presenters had received their "break" by participating in internships made an impression on the class.

# Historical society offers scholarships

The Lakes Region Historical Society is offering a \$1,000 scholarship to those who are interested in pursuing history or museum-related fields at the college level.

Information packets are available at the School House Museum, the high school guidance office or by calling scholarship chair Regina Reynolds at 847-838-0564.

Applicants will be required to complete a 20-hour service project through the historical society. Those eligible for the scholarship include high school seniors, current college students, individuals going back to school and graduate level students.

The money can be used for either books or tuition.

# 2004 high school board meetings scheduled

Regular meetings for the remainder of the school year (2004) are as follows: Jan. 8, at 6:30 p.m. in the ACHS library; Jan. 22, at 7:30 p.m., at the district office; Feb. 5, at 6:30 p.m. in the ACHS library; Feb. 19, at 7:30 p.m., at the district office; March 4, at 6:30 p.m. in the ACHS library; March 18, at 7:30 p.m., at the district

office; April 1, at 6:30 p.m. in the ACHS library; April 15, at 7:30 p.m., at the district office; May 6, at 6:30 p.m. in the ACHS library; May 20, at 7:30 p.m., at the district office; June 3, at 6:30 p.m. in the ACHS library; June 17, at 7:30 p.m., at the district office.

Meetings are always held on Thursday evenings and rotate between the library of Antioch Community High School (ACHS) and the district office located in the Antioch-Lake Villa Township Center on Deep Lake Road, just north of Grass Lake Road, in Lake Villa.

# Yearbook staff seeks pictures

Emmons School yearbook staff welcomes submitted pictures from parents, grandparents, friends or siblings that show Emmons students and that would be appropriate for the yearbook.

The staff asks that pictures be clear and not blurry. Pictures will not be returned so do not send anything that will be missed or for which there is not a duplicate.

Pictures should be sent to the school via students or regular mail to: Yearbook Pictures, Emmons School, 24226 W. Beach Grove Road, Antioch, IL 60002.

#### Early childhood screening

Antioch Community Consolidated District 34 offers early childhood developmental screening.

Parents with concerns should consider this. Developmental screening is a brief series of activities and observations designed to identify children who may have a potential problem that requires further assessment.

Screening is available to children between the ages of 3-5 years old and who have not yet entered kindergarten within District 34. To schedule an appointment, call the special education office at 847-838-8422.

# AUGS honors outstanding students

Antioch Upper Grade School has announced the names of those students who earned the "Students of the Month" distinction for November.

Assistant Principal Jason Lind said that each teacher selects one student who has made a good impression either academically, behaviorally or both.

"Students are selected for outstanding classroom performance," he said previously. "Though it's generally based on academics, that's not always the case. Sometimes a student will be selected for showing the teacher or other students a high degree of respect."

Students of the Month for November are as

follows (listed in no particular order): Michael Mullory, Keri Schroeder, Heather Bednar, Erik Smith, Miranda Linco, John Siordia, Lacy Lanciloti, Justin Harris, Marcella Belli, Alyssa Alvarez, Emily Racette, Nancy Bell, Rebecca Woodke, Chris Inciardi, Shawn Liden, Erika Bidlingmaier, Sam Henning, Svetlana Lubkeman, Abbie Horan, Matty Garver, Angela Marscalco, Chris Hutchinson, Kaitlyn Stewart, Mignon Rademan, Tatiana Forney, Samantha Charles, Steven Gunn, Kristy Torrez, Ron Herout, Brian Baiocchi, Amber Feldkamp, Brian Amodeo, Deanna Ottinger, Brittany Freundt, Sam Pimpo, Rhea Bovee, Cameron Jerina, Kevin Ernster and Elyse Jares.



Santa's little helper

Caleigh Nixon, 4, of Antioch colors at the B.K. Campers during the Camp Crayon Christmas party at the Antioch Parks Department building.— Photo by Lynn Gunnarson Dahlstrom



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Federation of Women's Clubs, which found that over 900 such groups were thriving in the U.S. by the 1880s.

Early women's clubs, such as the Libertyville Woman's Club, which celebrated its centennial this fall,

were formed to bring together mostly middle-class women and foster cultural activities.

Historically, major initiatives of women's clubs

nationwide—and a clearly defined mission of the GFWC—have been establishing libraries, fighting for industrial reform and helping beautify cities and villages. In Libertyville, for example, an early member of what

In Libertyville, for example, an early member of what initially was called the Alpha Club, Clara Colby, made news in a Chicago paper when she went to vote in a 1913 municipal election. While Colby voted, her husband, a Chicago attorney, was photographed hanging wash on the line.

The club meets at First Presbyterian Church at West Maple and Douglas avenues in Libertyville at noon on the first Wednesday of each month.

Ann Hartshorne, a golden member of the Libertyville Woman's Club, recalls with pride the life-long friendships she's made and the charitable work the club has done.

Hartshorne, formerly Ann Siddall, married John Hartshorne, also from Evanston. The couple moved to Libertyville after World War II and raised six children. As the children grew, Ann, who worked at a jewelry store for years, joined the club in 1953 and got involved in club activities.

"We have a needlework group, a gourmet group, a bridge and a book review group," she said. You'd get involved in one thing and then you'd pick and choose other things to get involved in."

But most important, she said, is the club's service function. "We had loads of places in town that we supported. We've always given a lot of money for scholarships and we've always supported the libraries and schools with books and money for books," Hartshorne said.

During a time of great societal change in the U.S., said Hartshorne, Woman's Club members were both spectators and participants. Although the club does not foster political discussion and debate, "We were always reminded to vote," said Hartshorne.

d Hartsnorne. What resounds most strongly with Hartshorne is "the



Jerry Schulkin, president of the Libertyville Historical Society, visits with Women's Club member Janet Aemisegger after a presentation about the history of the Libertyville Women's Club.



#### Story by DENYS BUCKSTEN Photos by J.W. STERNICKLE

people I've met and lifelong friends I've made, including those from my longtime involvement with the bridge group,"she said.

Dean Larson, village trustee, retired educator and unofficial historian for the Libertyville-Mundelein Historical Society, is a member of the Libertyville Woman's Club.

Larson recently collaborated with Marjorie Glocking in creating a multi-panel display of slides, antique photos and memorabilia documenting 10 decades of the Woman's Club history.

Although the club is based in Libertyville, members live in other villages, including Grayslake, Green Oaks, Gurnee, Lake Forest, Ivanhoe, Lake Bluff, Lake Forest, Lake Villa, Lindenhurst, Long Grove, Mundelein, Schaumburg, Vernon Hills, Wadsworth and Wheeling.

The Antioch Woman's Club, founded in 1920, has a membership about 170 whose average age is about 60, said club president Barbara Gray.

The group meets on the second Tuesday of each month at the Antioch Methodist Church. The club is in the 10th District of the state organization and belongs to the General Federation of Women's Clubs.

"We're a goal-oriented group," said Gray, "and at the same time we have a really good time doing things."

Like other women's clubs, the Antioch Woman's Club, said Gray, does not involve itself in religion or politics. "It's never discussed or mentioned," said Gray, pointing to the example set by longtime member state Sen. Adeline Geo-Karis (R-Zion).

"Senator Geo-Karis has never asked anything of us of a political nature, and she's been a member for a long, long time," Gray said.

Gray, who's been a member for five years since leaving the job market, said the club's success is based on a "large active membership" of women who remain involved.

Golden (50-year) members like Janet Brook and others are the backbone of an organization that makes and sells quilts, having recentinly donated 50 quilts to childern who have endured radical facial surgery, and that donates clothes to shelters and foods to food pantries.

The Gurnee Woman's Club, founded May 7, 1965, has 30 members and has for years raised money to give scholarships to graduating seniors at Warren Township High

The club's purpose, said President Marge Wilhelm, "is community service, self-culture and social Social is last." What's important to the membership, said Wilhelm, is the service angle is combined with a large dose of fun.

The club is "pretty much made up of retired women," said Wilhelm who explained that the club has a different

program each time it meets at 7:30 p.m. the first Monday of each month at Gurnee Community Church. Members volunteer to fold letters for A Safe Place to save the social agency the cost of paying a service to do so."We had 5,000 fund-raising letters at A Safe Place and had a crew of volunteers folding the letters, matching the names on the letters with the envelopes, and stuffing the envelopes.

"So, while we're talking and having fun, our hands are working as fast as we can to do the work. That's fun," she said.

Every woman's club seems to have its own favorite fund-raiser; in Gurnee, the giant cheese balls club members make each October – "120, assem-

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bly-line style"— are sold out by November, said Wilhelm.

The Lake County Women's Club, as the name suggests, draws from all over the county. The 8-year-old organization has 98 members, said club President Jackie Tucker, and meets at 10 a.m. on the second Wednesday of each month, except July and August, at State Bank of the Lakes in Grayslake.

Anywhere from 40 to 60 members may show up for the meetings, programs and holiday dinners, but many members are so immersed in the various special interest groups that those are their main focus.

The special groups include bridge, mahjong, canasta, knitting, tap dancing, Out to Lunch, theater, Bunco and language club.

"We have people (recently) from California, New Jersey, a lot from Canada, South America, a lot from Pennsylvania, Texas, South Carolina and Virginia. We're just a melting pot of people, some retired, some working," said Tucker, emphasizing that while there are some charitable causes the club embraces, the club is largely social in nature.



Past president of the Libertyville Womens Club Marjorie Glacking displays a "Centennial Award" that was presented to the club by the Illinois State Historical Society.

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# UIC's Gallery 400 hosts 'The Paper Sculpture Show'

Gallery 400 at the University of Illinois at Chicago opens the new year with "The Paper Sculpture Show" and "POSTChicago: Projects March 2003-March 2004." The two exhibits will remain on display from Jan. 13 Feb. 28.

The opening reception will take place Jan. 14 from 4-7 p.m. at 1240 W. Harrison St. (Harrison and Racine).

"The Paper Sculpture Show" is a fully interactive traveling exhibition that allows audiences and artists to explore the realm between two- and threedimensional art. "POSTChicago: Projects March 2003-March 2004," is an initiative that commissions Chicago-based artists to create posters for public space.

Twenty-nine prominent artists submitted designs printed on sheets of paper that could be cut out and assembled into three-dimensional paper sculptures by gallery visitors.

"The Paper Sculpture Show" comes to Gallery 400 after successful shows in New York, Houston and Pittsburgh and will travel to additional venues through 2005. Mary Ceruti, Matt Freedman and Sina Najafi curated the show. "Cabinet," the arts and culture magazine, Independent Curators International, and SculptureCenter organized the traveling exhibition.

"POSTChicago: Projects March 2003-March 2004" includes 12 posters displayed monthly in various Chicago neighborhoods. As a result, the exhibition increases the artists' audience.

For more information, call 312-996-6114, or e-mail lorelei@uic.edu

# Gifts That Should Stay Under Wraps

is eyes boldly followed her across the room, even though he happened to be hanging on her girlfriend's shoulder. Yet, while her instincts told her to flee, she just had to find out more about her chum's vulgar escort.

Surprised at her willingness to abandon all propriety, she boldly quizzed her friend as this fellow continued to study her with unblinking green eyes, "My, my, my-now where did you come up with such an, uh, ATTRACTIVE bosom buddy?"

Her friend pulled her aside to reveal her painful story, "You'll never understand until you've walked in my shoes she said". Let's just say he's my Scarlet Letter—only he's taken the form of this grotesque, 14karat, gem -inlaid parrot brooch that's practically dislocating my shoulder!

With that, she begged the growing crowd of curiosity seekers to "act natural" even if "Polly's" emerald eyes were permanently set on high beam because her husband, the gift giver, was proudly watching.

Well, 'tis the season when many other poor wives are limping along in the same shoes. But at least they can stagger straight to store "return" counters, unlike my neighbor's overburdened girlfriend.

Still, I have to wonder about another acquaintance whose husband is as tasteful as a carnival sideshow. Last summer she tried to unload her stockpile of "love tokens" on the general public at a garage sale. (You certainly can't fault the guy for his creativity, presenting her with pink, puffy automatic foot massage slippers to match the padded toilet seat she was hawk-

Now, as for my husband, at least I'll never have to worry about returning a sable coat for the sake of animal rights. He says the closest I'll ever get to a fur is the cat

draped around my shoulders.

Instead, "Mr. Practical" has the gift-giving flair of a prison warden. Several years ago I was "issued" monolithic rubber snow boots that will remain intact even if I'm discovered buried in an ice floe a few thousand years from now. And this year I'm counting on eventually breaking in my heavy-duty hiking boots if I'm forced to migrate by foot to Outer Mongolia.

And nothing is more warm and personal than Dad stuffing the kids' Christmas stockings with their own little travel toiletry kits. (Luckily, I managed to retrieve their razors before they decided it was time for a prison break.)

But let's not forget the single women out there. Who needs a man when a relative is more than willing to fill the gap with a suitable replacement—like the stuffed male dummy another neighbor presented to her newly divorced sister a few Christmas back. "Safety Man" has since become the stuff of legend.

#### The Saga Of Safety Man

Our newly divorced siren soon tired of her silent protector. After all, he bore an uncanny resemblance to her ex-husband, and his awkward advances certainly lacked warmth. After Safety Man toppled over onto her lap on another lonely drive home, she decided it was time for our hero to continue his quest.

So it was that Safety Man took refuge in the home of the divorcee's widowed mother. He was dressed in the finery befitting a mythic character: cowboy boots, chaps, and a Stetson.

Then a great storm arose in the widow's basement. Our hero was sucked into the storm drain underworld, with his floating cowboy boots as the only evidence of his valiant struggle. Mercifully, the Fates finally

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Leslie Glazier-Werner

retrieved Safety Man from his watery dungeon, and then decided it was time to send him on another mission—after a good disinfecting.

In a true test of courage, Safety Man sailed by parcel post during the Christmas rush with not even his five o'clock shadow scathed. Even so, our hero knew he was to face his greatest enemy yet. So, dressed in only Santa boxers and red suspenders, he popped out of his mailing carton faster than the Greeks jumping out of their Trojan horse.

But he had entered a strange, dangerous land ruled by a college girl with a major in theatre and an insatiable desire for campus keg parties. After one too many "Carpe Diems" as the big man on campus, Safety Man fell into a deep sleep, missing his 8 a.m. class. It was then that the widow's desperate granddaughter sacrificed our hero for an "A" in stage

management...Safety Man became college lore as the hero who got ahead by being immortalized as A HEAD in her very successful college production. Alas, poor Yorick, you've got nothing on Safety Man!

So here's to the end of another magical holiday season, with many happy returns to those bearing singing Santa cookie jars, fake gorilla feet slippers, and snowman earmuffs. And for those who must hang onto their "treasures," don't lose hope. Maybe next year all those garish gifts can be pawned off in the form of one blessed animal—A White Elephant.

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# Reef health at risk from human intervention

Coral reefs are on the verge of collapse. Can anything be done to save them?

John Pandolfi, Smithsonian National Museum of Natural History paleontologist, says there is overwhelming evidence that without appropriate protection from human influence, the world's coral reefs could be almost completely destroyed in just a few decades.

Pandolfi's research into coral reefs the world's most biologically diverse marine ecosystems-has traced widespread habitat degradation from the earliest contact with humans many thousands of years ago through the present. Many coral communities, whose structure remained constant for more than 100,000 years, have collapsed or changed dramatically during the past 20 years, resulting in potentially reduced species diversity.

Pandolfi will discuss the rich biological history of coral reefs and how humans have affected them over time during a lecture at the Milwaukee Public Museum. "Historical Perspectives on the Rapid and Recent Degradation of Coral Reefs" will take place

Thursday, Jan. 8, at 7 p.m. in the museum's first-floor Owen J. Gromme Lecture Hall.

A special showing of "Coral Reef Adventure" at the Humphrey IMAX Dome Theater will precede the lecture at 6 p.m. Dive to the soul of the sea and swim with fish in every color of the rainbow. Learn how the world's reefs are under siege from global warming, coastal development and overfishing. Cost: \$4.50 per person.

Admission to the lecture is \$5 in advance, \$6 at the door, and free to museum members and students with identification. Call 414-278-2728 for reservations. The lecture is the final lecture in the museum's 2003-04 Natural History Lecture Series.

Pandolfi probed the coral and fossil beds of biologically rich tropical reefs worldwide to find a fossil record reflecting a historically healthy reef system. Additionally, Pandolfi pored through recorded human history-including the captains logs of such explorers as Christopher Columbus and James Cooke-comparing how current reef biodiversity stacks up to the biodiversity of centuries past.

He concludes that the major causes of the reefs' decline-overfishing and pollutionare human phenomena that can be traced all the way back to the earliest human interaction with reef the huntergatherer era of human history thousands of years ago. Though most of the world's reefs were substantially degraded even before our great-grandparents were born, modern impacts contribute heavily in maintaining the trajectory of reef degradation.

In 1987 Pandolfi received a doctorate from the University of California-Davis. He is coeditor of the journal "Paleobiology" and is author of more than 50 scientific publications.

# More than 20 live reptiles soon to slither into hiss-tory

et face to fang once more with more than 20 live reptiles before they slither out the door when "Reptiles: The Beautiful and the Deadly" closes at the Milwaukee Public Museum Monday, Jan. 5.

See the flicking tongues of the Western diamondbacked rattlesnake, spitting cobra and a pair of 160-pound Burmese pythons, and check out a turtle that looks like a swimming pancake! Spy nature's master of disguise, the chameleon, and peer at a leaf-tailed gecko defying gravity with its specially equipped toes.

Visitors can learn the difference between alligators and crocodiles, hear alligator grunts and croc talk, "milk" venom from a model rattlesnake and open and close the jaws of a deadly viper at hands-on interactive stations.

Watch a pack of hungry alligators or a deadly gaboon viper with the longest fangs of any snake-crunch their lunch during live feeding sessions with a former gator wrestler. Feedings are 11:15 a.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Touch a live cornsnake and feel that snake skin isn't slimy but dry and smooth, 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. daily.

Admission to "Reptiles: The Beautiful and the Deadly" is free with Museum admission: \$7 for adults (16-61), \$6 for seniors (62-plus) and \$4.75 for children (3-15). Children two and under are free.

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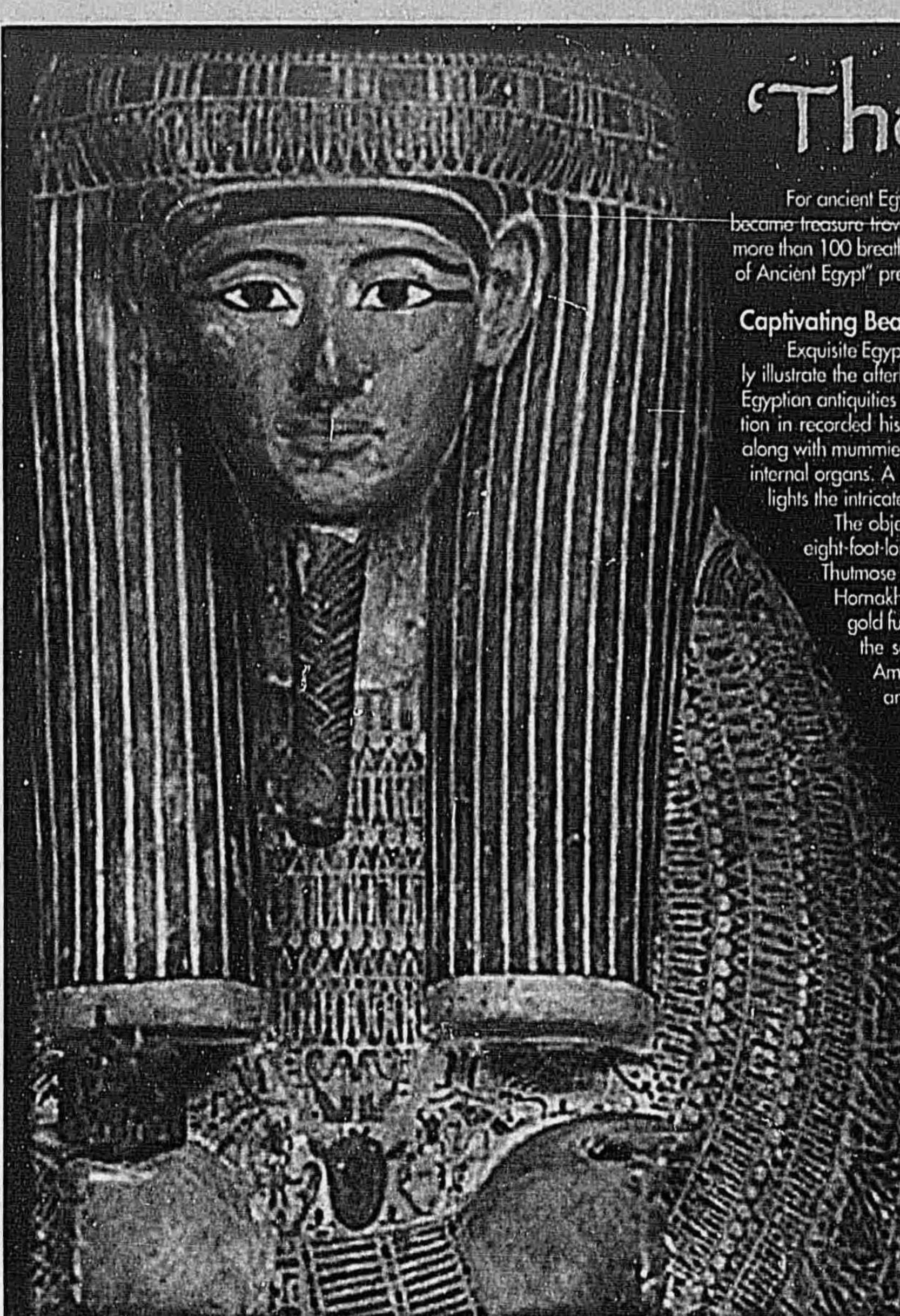
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'The Quest for Immortality'

For ancient Egyptians, death was the beginning of a journey into a new life, and their tombs became treasure troves of spectacular craftsmanship. Now in a once-in-a-lifetime exhibition, see more than 100 breathtaking artifacts from royal tombs during "The Quest for Immortality: Treasures of Ancient Egypt" presented by the Northwestern Mutual Foundation, March 28-Aug. 8, 2004.

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The objects in The Quest for Immortality are 2,500-4,000 years old and include an eight-foot-long painted boat from the tomb of Amenhotep I; a carved sandstone head of Thutmose I; four alabaster canopic jars which held the internal organs of Prince Hornakht; a mummy cover beaded in lapis and feldspar, with gold mask; a life-size gold funerary mask of a courtier who was buried in the tomb of Psusennes I, his king; the seven-foot-tall carved granite door from the tomb of the second prophet of Amun; stone, bronze, glass and wooden statues dating as far back as 2100 BCE; and numerous examples of jewelry of gold, ivory and stones.

> The Milwaukee Public Museum is proud to be the exclusive Midwest venue for this exhibition. "The Quest for Immortality" - acclaimed by the New York Times as a "visual knockout"—has twice the number of artifacts displayed in the 1970s blockbuster exhibit Treasures of Tutankhamen.

Order Tickets Early

Advance tickets are now for sale. Same-day tickets available on a first-come, first-served basis. Tickets to the exhibition include Museum general admission and state-of-the-art Antenna Audio Tour featuring narration by Jeremy Irons and commentary by leading Egyptologisk

Admission is: adult (16-61), \$18.50; senior (62+), \$17.50; child (3-15), \$11.50. Order tickets online at www.mpm.edu or call 414-278-2728 (handling fees apply). Tickets also available at Milwaukee Public Museum stores in:

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The exhibition is organized by a consortium consisting of the Danish organization United Exhibits Group; the National Gallery of Art, Washington, D.C.; and the Supreme Council of Antiquities, Cairo. The appearance of The Quest for Immortality in Milwaukee is made possible by the Northwestern Mutual Foundation and other generous donors.

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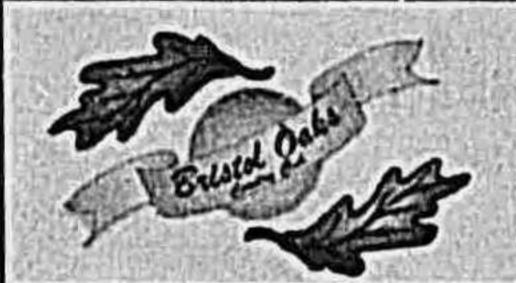
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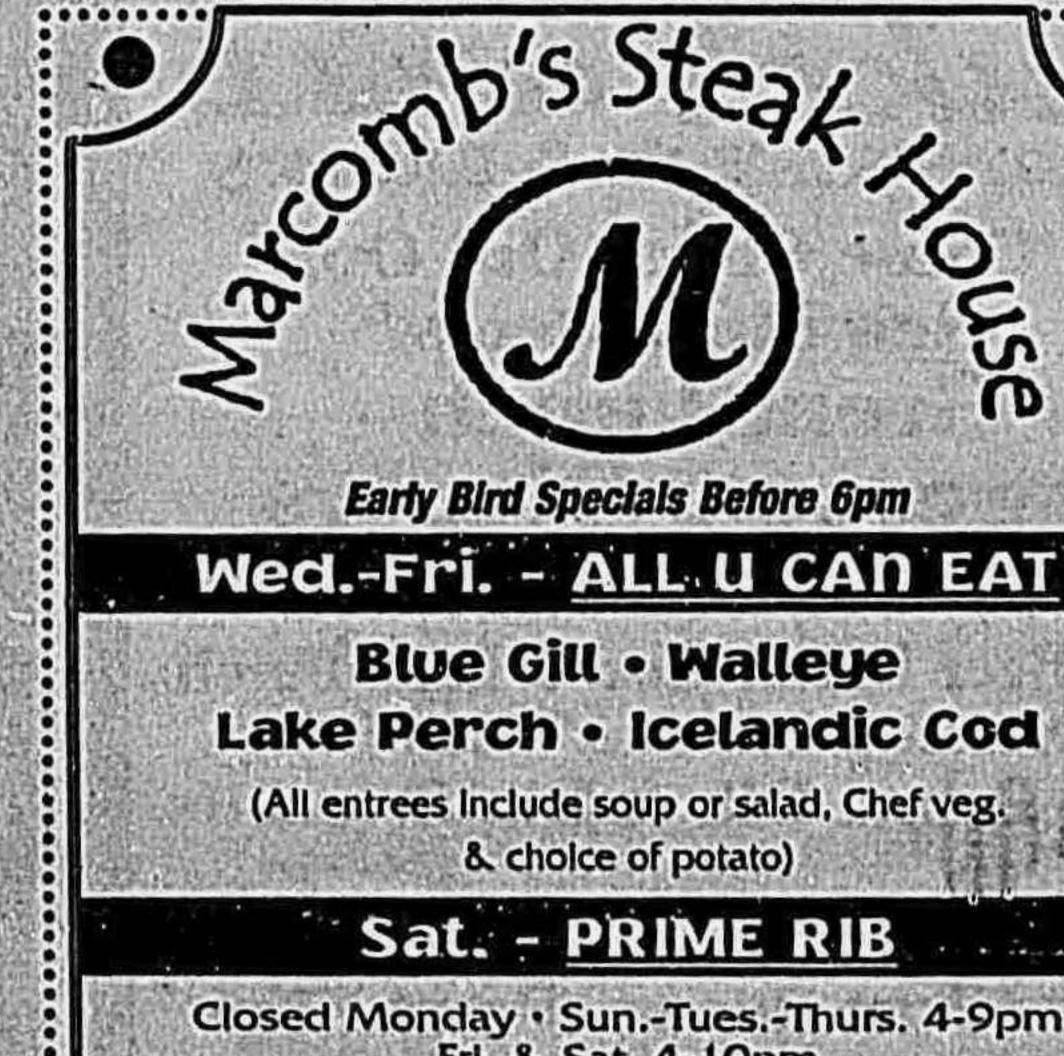
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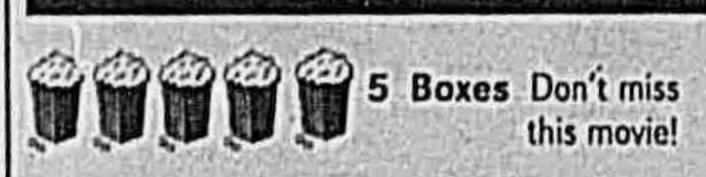
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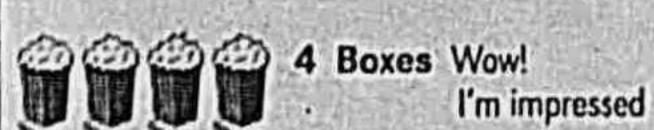
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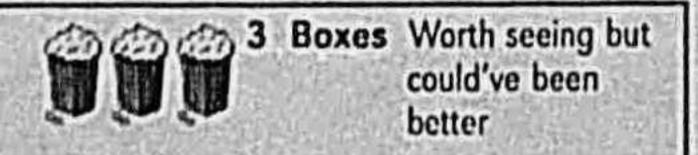


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#### MOVIE REVIEW KEY







2 Boxes Wait until this movie comes out on video

Box Someone should be fired for making this movie

# A conversation with Shohreh Aghdashloo

By George O. Singleton

hohreh Aghdashloo portrays Ben Kingsley's wife, Nadi, in the film "House of Sand and Fog." She will be new to most American audiences, but she has been a major stage and screen star for more than 25 years, in her native Iran, where she started acting at the age of 20.

George: What does this film say about being a first generation immigrant?

SA: You've got to realize how difficult it is for an immigrant coming from a totally different world, especially the Middle East. You cross cultures for good. The man in the traditional Iranian family takes care of things outside the house and women are brought up to be good wives, obey their husbands and devote their lives to their children.

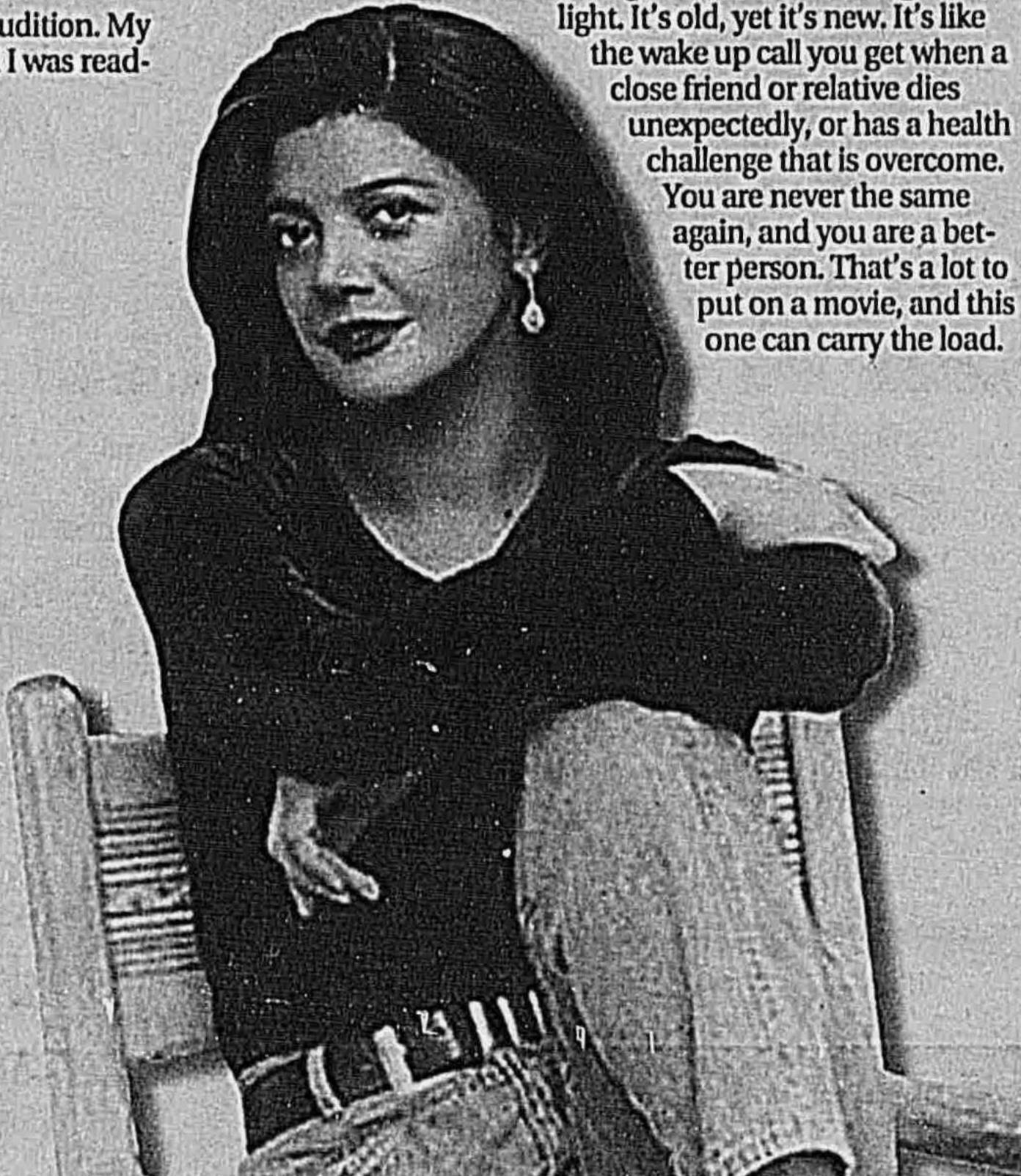
George: What was it about your audition that brought people to tears?

SA: I read the book two years before the audition. My husband and I were on a theater tour and I was reading the book and I told him that if one day they turn this into a movie and I don't get the part it would be really unfair. I knew nobody could play that role but me. They gave me four scenes to play with. Because they (husband and wife) can't talk about certain things, they learn how to read each other through their eyes. In thinking about my son, in my monologue I started crying. I couldn't dare to look at their eyes and then I heard them begin to clap.

George: Not to take anything away from Ben Kingsley, but what do you think about not having an Iranian man in a lead role when there are so many excellent Iranian actors?

SA: I believe the studio needed a well-known name to push the movie to higher places. One unknown Iranian ("me," said with a smile), was all they could handle.

"House of Sand and Fog" puts the American Dream of owning a home in a startling new



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## NEW RELEASES

These films are currently playing at local theaters. More reviews of these and other films can be found under Current Movie Reviews at www.reelmoviecritic.com.

#### still playing

21 Grams: A gripping tale of three ill-fated families, featuring Oscar-caliber performances from Sean Penn, Naomi Watts and especially Benicio Del Toro. Those who liked "Memento" will find "21 Grams" to have a similar construction in the storytelling. This screenplay is better because as the movie progresses things become clear and you don't have to see it a second time to know what happened. \*\*\*\* (R)

BigFish: Billy Crudup comes home to his dying father, Albert Finney, to patch up a fractured relationship. Jessica Lange and Steve Buscemi co-star. A poetic family tale based on a book. \*\*\* (PG-13)

Cheaper by the Dozen: Steve Martin learns that getting what you ask for is not always what you want. His dream job comes true, but then he's stuck at home with his 12 kids after his wife has to leave town to meet with a publisher to market her long-awaited memoirs. \*\*\*12 (PG)

Cold Mountain: Nicole Kidman is establishing herself as a younger Meryl Streep with another pristine performance. It's based on the best-selling novel about a Confederate soldier trying to make his way back home. Also stars Jude Law, Rence Zellweger and Natalie Portman. When "The Human Stain" finally crosses Lake-Cook Road, be sure to catch it. Kidman is excellent in that too. \*\*\*\*1/2 (R)

The Company: Director Robert Altman gives us a behind-the-scenes look at the Joffrey Ballet, starring Neve Campbell, a classically-trained ballet dancer who has longed for a part like this since performing with the National Ballet of Canada. \*\*\*\* (PG-13)

Peter Pan: This classic is done as a liveaction fantasy, with Peter being played by a boy for a change. Jason Isaacs and Ludivine Sagnier star. Sounds like good family fun. \*\*1/2 (PG)

The Young Black Stallion: The prequel to the 1979 classic horse tale, this will be shown exclusively in IMAX format at Navy Pier. This G-rated, 45minute film is just right for a trip with the young ones into the city.  $\star \star \star 1/2$  (G)

Girl with a Pearl Earring: Scarlett Johansson ("Lost in Translation") is the muse of Dutch painter Vermeer (Colin Firth). Based on the best selling novel by Tracy Chevaller. Johansson is an outstanding actress who is only 19 years old. \*\*\*\* (PG-13)



# This is a blank check

Michael (Ben Affleck) is a reverse engineering genius who clones products for corporations by deconstructing the technology in reverse order and making them better than the originals (Sort of like a guy who could make a version of Windows that would never crash! That is a futuristic vision.) One of the things he does early in the film is to take a top-selling TV image and develop a new TV that has the image without the TV set 3-4 a hologram. The unscrupulous companies he works for then employs a deprogramming process that erases his memory after the job is done. With a handsome paycheck of \$500,000 or more, Michael is able to live the high life, minus a few bits of memory in his brain chips.

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Review by Pam & George Singleton Cast

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Joe Morton, a fine actor, delivers his usual strong supporting role of the good guy. Keeping it somewhat real and exciting is Uma Thurman, who brings some of the pizzazz of "Kill Bill" to the story. If you buy into the "camp" factor of the film, it can actually be fun.

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# Music, McMonagle ignite show-worn "Annie"

he Marriott Theatre in Lincolnshire seems to be stuck in a revival rut as of late, offering its audiences some great but show-worn productions such as "Showboat," "The Hot Mikado," and now the 65-year-old "Annie Get Your Gun."

Irving Berlin's music lit up the middle of the 20th century. Although many of the songs he wrote for his Broadway blockbuster "Annie Get Your Gun" in the late 1930s became hits and are revered as classics today, the story line, despite being updated and politically corrected for this revival, remains irrelevant in this new century.

Regardless of the waning interest in the early West, Berlin's memorable music, and Marriott production's Annie, the lively and multitalented Susan McMonagle, do more than save the theatrical day in this latest production of the best of Berlin.

This is the vehicle that made Ethel Merman a Broadway star, and although the part was meant for Judy Garland to do on the silver screen, made Betty Hutton, who eventually played Annie, a baig Hollywood name.

Marriott veteran McMonagle leaves the other two in the shade with her outstanding singing voice and bubbling and endearing per-

sonality. Merman and Hutton "sold" Berlin's songs, while McMonagle sings the heck out of them.

Her enthusiastic country renditions of "Doin' What Come Naturally," "You Cain't Get a Man With a Gun," and "I Got the Sun in the Morning," steal the show, as do the rest of McMonagle's numbers. You laugh with her as the innocent and determined Annie, and you love her and are emotionally moved by her as she stops the show with a powerful rendition of "I Got Lost In His Arms."

The glittering diamond of this musical is the best finale number ever, "There's No Business Like Show Business," which ranks right up there with Berlin's legendary "God Bless America,," and "White Christmas."

Berlin wrote some of Broadway's best musical duets for Annie and the love of her life, Frank Butler, played by Edward Watts, including "The Girl That I Marry," "They Say It's Wonderful," and "Anything You Can Do, I Can Do Better." Watts looks and sounds good as McMonagle sparkles, but he's no John Raite or Howard Keel.

It's a good show for the holidays if you treat the whole thing as "An Evening With Irving Berlin's Music."—By Gloria A. Davis



## Jazz subscriptions open at Community House

Jazz up your Sunday afternoons again this winter when the doors open for the Ninth Annual Highland Park Community House Jazz Series. Become a subscriber now for the entire series and receive a bonus of two free lawn admissions to Ravinia Festival's Jazz at Ravinia 2004.

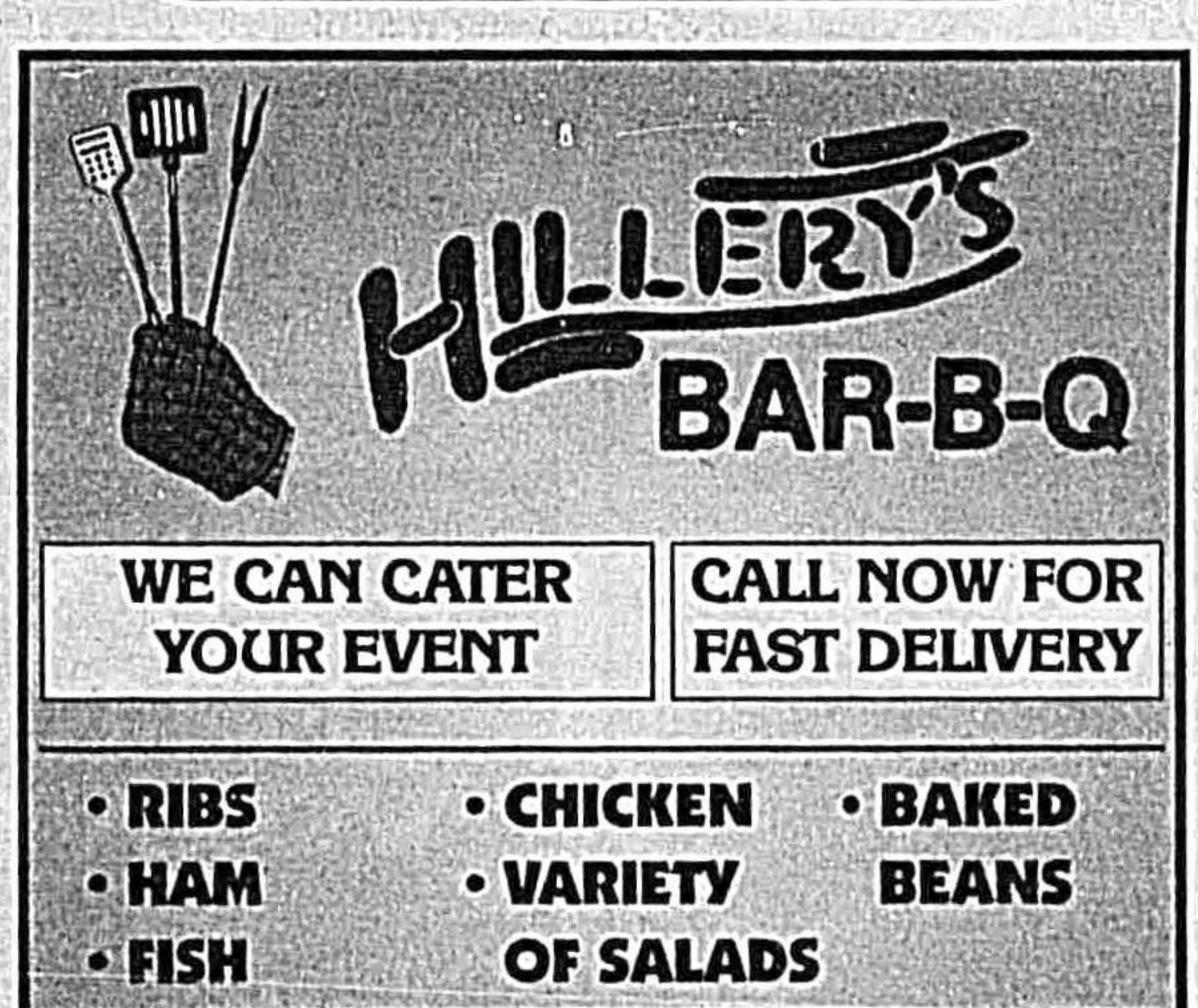
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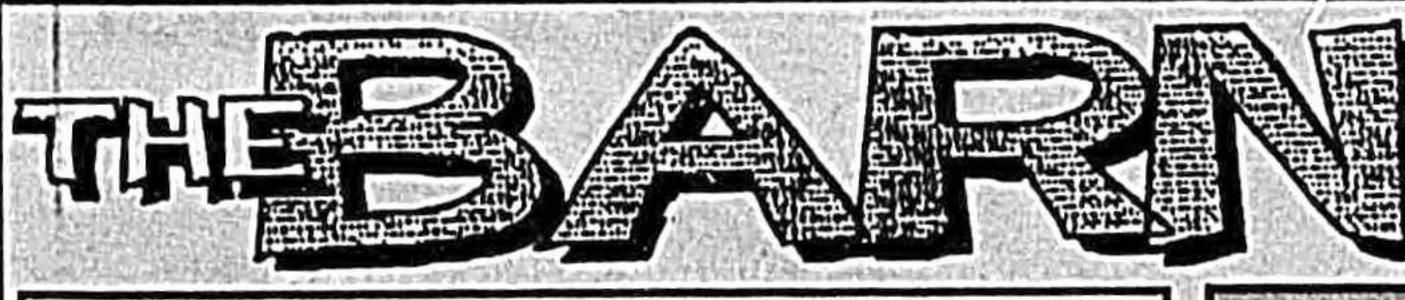


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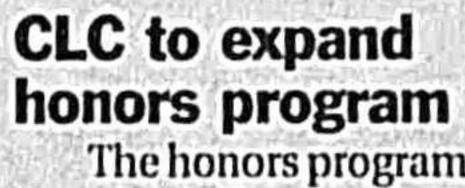
ttention music lovers in the greater Barrington area! The Barrington chapter of Lyric Opera of Chicago welcomes you and your guests to enjoy "An Afternoon of Classical Guitar." The program begins at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 11, at the Barrington Area Arts Council Gallery, 207 Park Ave. in Barrington. Following the program, light refreshments will be served.

Barrington Lyric is delighted to have 16-year-old classical guitarist Jennifer Ernst, a native of Highland Park, open the New Year with a program which will include "Classical Gas" by Mason Williams, "Capricho Arabe" by Francisco Tarrega, "Leyenda" by Albenie, and "Koyunbaba" by Carlo Domeniconi.

At age eight, Jennifer began taking folk guitar lessons. Switching to classical guitar at age 10, she has studied with Steve Suvada, professor of guitar at Harper College; Pepe Romero and William Kanengiser in Quebec, Canada; and the Los Angeles Guitar Quartet in Wyoming. She placed first in the Technique Festival of the Illinois State Music Teachers Association, is the state and semi-final champion for the American String Teachers Association, and competed in the national finals at Michigan State University as one of only four finalists from across the United

Admission is \$10 for members, \$15 for guests. Send checks by Jan. 5 payable to BCLOC c/o Susanne Wells, 225 Timber Ridge, Barrington 60010. Your check is your reservation. Inquiries 847-382-2613.

You may want to visit Lyric Opera of Chicago's Web site www.lyrlcollcra.oi-g.



The honors program at the College of Lake County will expand this spring to include three full honors sections open only to honors students.

Sections offered will be Elementary Statistics (MTH . 222), Introduction to Sociology (SOC 121) and English Composition II (ENG 122).

The three new sections will be offered in addition to the 23 honors sections that are "embedded" in regular courses. In these sections, honors and non-honors students attend classes together but the honors students complete enriched assignments designed to offer additional challenges. The full honors sections are being added to offer the experience of an "honors community" and the opportunity for honors students to work together on group projects that are not practical in the "embedded" sections, according to Nick Schevera and May Xu, honors program coordinators.

Each of the new full honors sections will be limited to 20 students, and students must be accepted into the honors program to enroll. Applications to the honors program are now being accepted. To apply for the honors program, call 847-543-2959 or e-mail com409@clcillinois.edu

#### Criminal justice offerings expanded at Lakeshore

This spring, the College of Lake County will expand its criminal justice course offerings at the Lakeshore Campus in Waukegan by adding Introduction to Criminology (CRJ 123). With the addition, students can now complete five required courses (15 credit hours) at Lakeshore in preparation for the criminal justice certificate.

Introduction to Criminology will be offered from 4-6:45 p.m. on Wednesdays beginning Jan. 21. Lakeshore also will offer Criminal Law (CRJ 221) in the spring from 7-9:45 p.m. on Wednesdays beginning Jan. 21.

In addition to the criminal justice certificate, Lakeshore also offers three business certificate options, Accounting Clerk, General Office and Microcomputers for Business, as well as the Certified Nurse Assistant certificate in the allied health careers program.

Also offered is a non-credit course leading to certification as a flagger at roadway con-

struction sites.

For further information on career preparation programs at Lakeshore, call 847-543-2468 (Criminal Justice), 847-543-2941 (business certificates), 847-543-2042 (nurse assisting) and 847-543-2022 (flagger certification).

#### ESL, Spanish classes offered for teachers

The College of Lake County will offer three programs of special interest to teachers this

For those interested in teaching English as a Second Language, the college will continue to offer courses toward ESL approval on Illinois teaching certificates. The college has been approved to offer all 18 credit hours required.

CLC also will offer courses for its new ESLrelated certificate, Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL). The 30-credit-hour certificate is intended for teachers and individuals interested in pursuing careers as teacher's aides. The certificate does not replace the State of Illinois teaching certificate, but some courses may be applied toward an ESL approval.

The college also will offer Beginning Conversational Spanish I for Educators and Professionals (SPA 121-600) and Beginning Conversational Spanish II for Educators and Professionals (SPA 122-600). These are intended primarily for educators, administrators and others who interact with Spanish-speaking students, employees and their families. These courses will cover the basic language skills necessary to understand, speak, read and write Spanish, and the instruction focuses on practicing pronunciation and conversation.

The spring semester will begin the week of Jan. 20. For additional information on the ESL programs, contact Jacinta Thomas at 847-543-2565 or go to www.clconline.clcillinois.edu/tesol/.

For information about the Spanish program, contact Rai Salazar at 847-543-2363 or at raisal98@aol.com.



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#### Suspended driver's license

Beth A. Stone, 32, of 480 North Ave., was arrested for driving while suspended on Dec. 23 at 10:36 a.m. on North Avenue at Tiffany

She was stopped for disobeying a stop sign. Her identifiers were checked through LEADS with information coming back that her driver's license was suspended.

Stone was arrested and issued citations for disobeying a traffic control device and for driving while suspended. She was released on personal recognizance pending her Jan. 28 court date.

Leobardo G. Narvaez, 25, of 925 N. Lake St., Mundelein, was arrested for driving while suspended on Dec. 19 at 9:08 a.m. on Depot Street east of Windmill Creek Drive.

He was locked traveling 50 mph in a 35mph zone. He told police he did not have a driver's license or insurance. His identifiers were checked through LEADS confirming his license had been suspended.

Narvaez was arrested and issued citations for speeding, driving while suspended and for operating an uninsured motor vehicle. He was released on personal recognizance pending his Jan. 28 court date.

Juan F. Ortega, 56, of 1926 Linden Ave., Waukegan, was arrested for driving with a suspended driver's license on Dec. 18 at 1:33 a.m. on Route 173 east of Talman.

He was stopped for defective taillights and when his identifiers were checked through LEADS/NCIC, information came back that his driver's license was suspended.

Ortega was arrested and issued citations for driving while suspended and driving with defective taillights. He was released on personal recognizance pending his Jan. 28 court date.

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#### Possession of cannabis

Jason E. Fries, 21, of 324 Oakwood Drive, Antioch, and Charlotte M. Perez, 21, of 746 Tiffany Court, Antioch, were arrested by Lake Villa Police on Dec. 20, at 2:45 a.m., while driving eastbound on Route 132 near Railroad Avenue. Fries, the driver, was observed driving into oncoming traffic. When he was stopped, police detected an odor of alcohol in the car. According to police reports, Perez began yelling obscenities at police officers. Fries failed field sobriety tests. A search of his vehicle turned up a pipe with resin in it and a clear bag containing a green leafy substance that field-tested positive as cannabis. During the arrest process, Perez kicked an officer in the thigh and groin. While in a holding cell at the police station, she kicked the door, breaking the handle. Police reported she appeared highly intoxicated.

Fries told police Perez had urged him to run from them, but he said he knew it was wrong.

Fries was charged with improper lane usage, driving with a revoked license, failure to wear a seat belt and reckless driving. He was released pending appearance in Grayslake Branch III court, on Jan. 14, at 3 p.m.

Perez was charged with possession of

cannabis, resisting arrest, battery to a police officer and (felony) criminal damage to state property. She was released on a \$40,000 Ibond, and ordered to undergo random drug testing until her trial.

Anthony T. Cook, 23, of 17 W. Grand Ave., Lake Villa, was arrested by Lake Villa Police on Dec. 20, at 2:03 a.m., while driving eastbound on Route 132 near Oak Knoll Drive. He was observed driving with no light over his rear license plate. He was traveling at 10 mph in a 30-mph zone. He was slow to respond to police. He refused field sobriety tests and breath tests, and insisted he was not drinking, although police noticed an odor of alcohol on his breath. He was charged with driving with no registration light and DUI. He was released after producing his driver's license and \$100 cash bond, pending an appearance in Waukegan courtroom C-402, on Jan. 16, at 9

#### Criminal damage to Santa

A resident of Southwind Drive in Lake Villa reported to police that sometime around 1:30 p.m. on Dec. 23 several inflatable lawn ornaments, including a Santa, a snowman, reindeer and a soldier were slashed with a sharp object. The items are valued at a total of about \$225. There are no suspects.

Stolen tailgate

A resident of Walden Lane in Lake Villa reported to police that sometime between midnight and 8:30 a.m. on Dec. 18, the tailgate was stolen from his truck. The loss is estimated at \$2,000. There are no suspects.

#### Criminal damage to vehicle

A teacher at Palombi Middle School on McKinley Avenue in Lake Villa reported to police that sometime between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. on Dec. 18, while her car was parked in the school lot, someone might have tampered with the gas tank. She said the car ran normally on the way to school in the morning, but when she tried to drive home, it was shaking and barely moving. It was towed to a dealership, where she was informed diesel fuel was found in the tank. She said she did not purchase gas at any location that sold diesel fuel. The damage was estimated at \$800. She said she did not know of any problems with anyone, and had not received any threats.

#### LINDENHURST

#### Possession of cannabis

Hayli M. Cole, 19, of 155 Burton St., Grayslake, and Kevin M. Pendergast, 20, of 1912 Sprucewood, Lindenhurst, were arrested by Lindenhurst Police on Dec. 21, at 10:28 p.m., while driving on Route 132 near Hawthorne. Police stopped the car after observing the registration sticker had expired in July. Police detected an odor of burnt cannabis in the car. Cole said there was no illegal substance in the car. Pendergast told police there was cannabis under the passenger seat. A search turned up a plastic bag of 6.3 grams of a green leafy substance in Pendergast's pocket. He told police that both he and Cole had been smoking the substance, which field-tested positive as cannabis. A

glass pipe in the car contained a residue that also field-tested positive as cannabis.

Cole was charged with possession of cannabis, driving with expired plates and driving an uninsured motor vehicle. She was released on a \$2,000 bond, pending an appearance in Grayslake Branch III court, on Feb. 4, at 9 a.m.

Pendergast was released on a \$75 I-bond, pending appearance in Grayslake at the same date and time as Cole.

Donald J. Chapman, 33, of 5413 Memory Trail, McHenry, was arrested by Lindenhurst Police on Dec. 23, at 4:12 p.m., while driving westbound on Route 132 near Grand Circle. A police officer observed the driver was not wearing a seatbelt. When the squad car pulled behind the driver, he fastened his seatbelt. When the car was stopped, a search discovered a pipe and a box containing a green leafy substance that field-tested positive as cannabis. Chapman was charged with failure to wear a seat belt, driving with a revoked license and possession of cannabis. He was released on a \$1,000 I-bond, pending an appearance in Grayslake Branch III court, on Feb. 4, at 10:30 a.m.

#### DUI

Robert A. Borg, 34, of 11326 258th Court, Trevor, Wis., was arrested by Lindenhurst Police on Dec. 26, at 11:48 p.m., while driving northbound on Deep Lake Road near Grass Lake Road. Police observed him driving 47 mph in a 35-mph zone. He went through a stop sign and crossed over a fogline. He told police he had two beers. He failed six of six field sobriety tests, and a preliminary breath test yielded a result of .173 BAC. He refused to take a Breathalyzer test. He was charged with speeding, possession of cannabis, driving through a stop sign, improper lane usage, driving without valid registration, enhanced driving with a revoked license and enhanced DUI. He was turned over to Fox Lake Police to be held pending bond court.

#### Bikes stolen

A resident of Laurel Drive in Lindenhurst reported that sometime between 11 p.m. on Dec. 22 and 9:15 p.m. on Dec. 23 four bicycles and a gas lawnmower were stolen from his property. There are no suspects.

## Calvary Christian School Honor Roll

Calvary Christian School, in Lake Villa, announces their first quarter honor students

Principal's List:

First grade: Angelica Alanis, Vincent Autrey, Kaylee Cordova, Shiloh Lampkin, Alyssa Rudis, Hayley Smith, Alexes Solano, Jeremiah Sweeting and Kristina Whitfield

Third grade: Andrew Parr

Fourth grade: Michael Bauspies and Mary (Katie) Spatafore

Fifth grade: Julian Coulter, Koty Cook,

Joshua Parr and Michael Villarreal Honor Roll:

First grade: Tyler Dalberg, Andre Hanks and Marissa Hessler

Second grade: Sarah Smith, Alex Lewis and Sarai Venegas

Third grade: Katie King

Fourth grade: Sam Duensing

Fifth grade: Dustin Clemens and Chip Hoy



#### That's a wrap

Grant Community High School juniors Tricia Colatorti, Rachael Saul and Breanne Carey and sophomore Stephanie Behm put the finishing touches on wrapped presents to go to foster children living at Central Baptist Children's Home in Lake Villa.— Photo by Sandy Bressner

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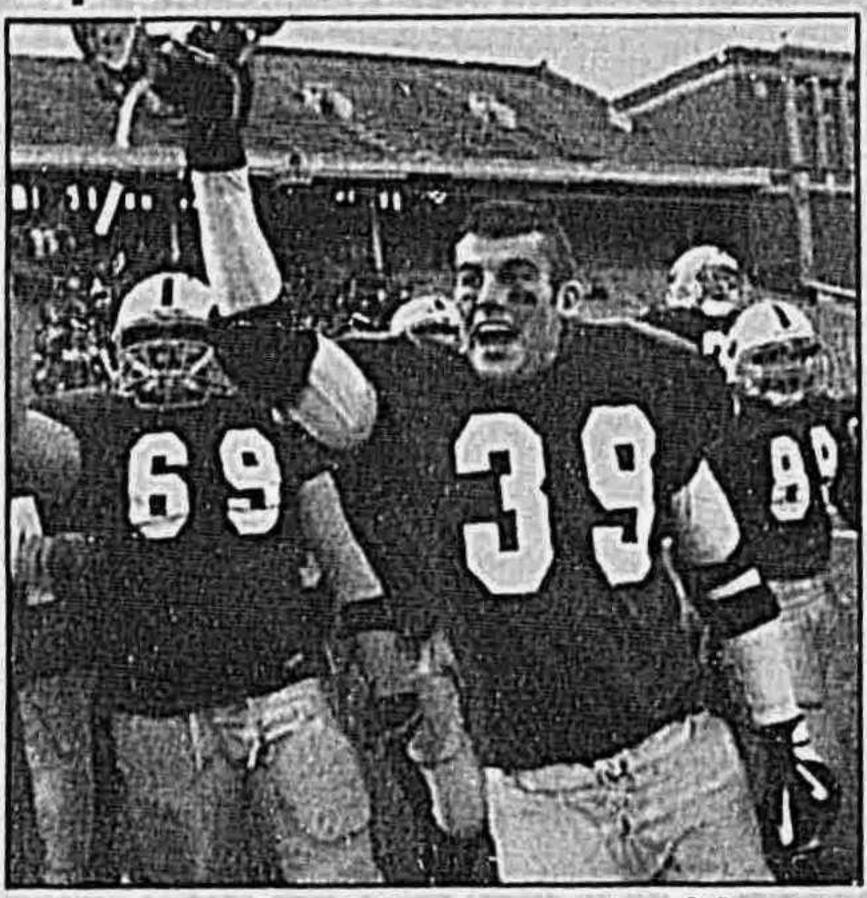
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#### LAKELAND MEDIA'S 2003 SPORTS YEAR IN REVIEW

Andy Napier

This past year was a year of firsts when it came to Lakeland-area sports. Almost all of the top sports stories featured teams or individuals that reached unprecedented heights. The following is a look back at the top-10 stories from 2003, as well as some other stories that were our "best of the rest."

#### Top-10 stories



Carmel celebrates state title

1. A team of destiny

It seems that Carmel was given the state title before the team ever took a snap.

The Corsairs returned the bulk of their team that won the Prep Bowl in 2002, and nothing short of a state title would do this time

And unlike other teams that fail to live up to endless hype, Carmel lived up to all the expectations, and then some.

Coach Andy Bitto's squad overcame earlyseason turnover woes, and rolled through the regular season with a 27-point average margin of victory, including a 41-14 drubbing of eventual Class 5A champ Joliet Catholic Academy, a team that Carmel hadn't beaten in over 30 years.

And in the playoffs it got better, or worse if you were unfortunate enough to play the Corsairs in the post-season.

In the playoffs, Carmel beat the opposition by an average of 30 points, culminating in a 54-26 win over Bloomington in the Class 6A title game.

The win gave Carmel its first state title, and Lake County's first state football champ since Deerfield in 1975. And it seemed that the Corsairs hardly broke a sweat along the way.

#### 2. 10 yards from glory

Imagine coming within a few feet of a lifelong dream, only to come up short.

That's what happened to Libertyville in the Class 7A title game against Oswego.

Facing 2nd-and-goal from the Oswego 2yard line in overtime, down 28-21, the Cats were stopped three times by a determined Panthers defense, ending Libertyville's hopes of a perfect season.

Still, it was a record-setting season for the Cats, who finished with a 13-1 record.

Although spirits were low at times after the loss, Libertyville's Santino Panico summed it up best.

"The relationships that I made this year are so much more rewarding than any victory," Panico said.

#### 2a. Iron Man

Speaking of Panico, the senior all-purpose player had one of the best single seasons in Lake County history, and was rewarded with the Illinois Player of the Year award.

Panico finished the season with 1,263 yards rushing on 131 carries, a 9.6-yard average per carry, and 19 rushing touchdowns. He also caught 31 passes for 481 yards and four TDs.

He also played a mean defensive back, racking up 50plus tackles and three sacks.



Santino Panico

It's no wonder that Panico has been selected to play in the U.S. Army All-American game later this month.

Despite the accolades, Panico remained humble, instead turning his focus to the team's goals and the team's accomplishments.

"I owe a tremendous amount of gratitude to my coaches. (I am most grateful) for the players that I lined up this season," Panico said.

Panico added: "I would give away every accolade, every yard, every touchdown, every play I was in to win a state championship with these players."

#### 3. Skyhawks fly high

Using a tremendous height advantage and strong outside shooting, Johnsburg's boys basketball team won its first sectional title in 25 years, and the school's first in Class

The Skyhawks were led by its core of seniors, including 6-8 center John Smith, Adam Vesley and Brad Preston, but Smith was

lot of help. "We're not a one-person team," Smith said.

quick to point out that the trio of seniors had a

Johnsburg coach Ed Sennett agreed with Smith's thoughts, pointing out the other play-

"All of our kids were unsung heroes," Sennett said.

The Skyhawks had key contributions from several players in a 60-53 win over Rockford Boylan at the Jefferson Rockford Sectional finals and in a 51-22 win over East Moline United in the Moline Super giving Sectionals, Johnsburg a berth in the tournament Bradley University Peoria.

Johnsburg's magical 30-2 season ended with a 47-24 loss to Glenbrook North in the opening round of the state tournament.

#### 4. Déjà vu for Mustang gymnasts

After losing top gymnast Matt Michalek to graduation and three-time state champion coach Doug Foerch to Highland Park, new coach Eric Liva didn't expect much going into the season.

"We will be okay this year," Liva said prior to the season. "We have some weaknesses, but the kids are working hard."

All of that hard work appeared to pay off as Mundelein seemingly came out of nowhere to finish second to Stevenson in the state title

Mundelein was led by Phil Zumstein, who finished 4th in the all-around competition at state.

"This team surpassed all expectations," Liva said. "We were just hoping to get to state.

Once we got there things just started falling into place."

#### 5. Warren gymnasts finish

For the second time in three years, Warren finished second to Stevenson in the state title meet. The Devils finished with 148.925 team points, less than three points behind the champion Patriots.

Danyelle Individually, Aber finished 2nd in the vault competition and 7th in the allaround and Ashley Alden took 3rd in the all-around.

The team included: Aber,

Alden, Morgan Kuhn, Shannon McDonough, Maureen Moss, Erin Schmidt and Christy

#### 6. Grayslake freshman named to All-State team

Despite playing competitennis for just four years, freshman Grayslake Poggensee-Wei overcame her inexperience to finish in the top-8 in the state tournament, earning All-State honors in the process.

Poggensee-Wei went 5-2 in the tournament, the best ever finish for a Grayslake player.

While there isn't much to criticize in her game, she is her own toughest critic.

"She's very hard on herself," Grayslake coach Sarah Lesinski-Roscoe said.

Poggensee-Wei added: "You can't be good because someone else wants you to; you have to be good because you want you to."

#### 7. Antioch's Napier All-State in cross country

After just missing All-State honors in 2002 with a 27th-place finish, Antioch's Andy Napier shaved 33 seconds off his 2002 performance, finishing the three-mile course at Detweiller Park in Peoria in 14 minutes, 35 seconds.

The time was good enough for a 4th place finish in a field of 251 run-

> Napier's finish came as a surprise, even to him.

"Coach (Dave Judson) alked to me over the summer and told me I should shoot for top-5, and I was like, "Yeah, right," Napier

#### 8. Devils boot local competition

Warren surpassed all expectations, including those of local media, who didn't even have the Devils ranked in pre-season polls, to earn its first-ever berth in the Class AA state tournament.

The highlight of the year for Warren was definitely its 2-1 win over Libertyville in the Mundelein Sectional

"We know a lot of the Warren soccer Libertyville players, and they were always talking about beating us," Warren senior defender

Brennan O'Brien said. Warren's season ended in the opening

round of the state tournament at North Central College in Naperville with a 3-0 loss to Rockford Guilford, which went on to finish second.

The Devils (20-4-3) were led throughout the season by Scott Malagon (20 goals, 23 assists), Jeff Smanz (15 goals, 12 assists), Cesar Nunez (14 goals, 10 assists) and goalkeeper Alex Dreyer, who allowed just 22 goals in 22 games.

#### 9. Westlake Academy wins ACSI state

Led by Keith Krass, Andy Rdzok, Justin Bernardy and Vaughn Golston, the Grayslakebased Westlake Christian Academy Eagles won its second straight Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI) state

The Eagles then went on to compete in the National Association of Christian Athletics tournament in Dayton, Tenn., finishing fourth. It was the school's best ever finish in the tournament, which formed in 1980.

#### 10. CLC volleyball wins 37 straight matches

Before losing to McHenry in the Region

IV state tournament, CLC had won 37 straight matches, a streak that ran for over two months.

The Lady Lancers finished with a 39-6 record, and the team's first Skyway Conference title since 1986.

"We took this program to its highest level ever," CLC coach Bob Taterka said.

CLC also had its first-ever volleyball player named to the All-American team, as sophomore Erin Whitehead took home the honors.



**CLC** women's volleyball

#### **Best of the Rest**

While these stories weren't quite big enough to crack the top-10, they were still important, and worth mentioning. The following stories are listed in no particular order.

#### Rams get first ever playoff win

On the strength of a punishing defense, led by linebacker Doug Hanson and sack specialist Corey Williams, Grayslake finished the regular season 7-2, earning the school's first playoff berth since 1990.

In the post-season, it got even better as the Rams defeated Zion-Benton 30-7 in the opening round of the Class 7A playoffs, for the school's first playoff win. The team's season ended a week later with a 22-21 loss to McHenry.

#### LHS' Mientus earns All-State honors

Libertyville freshman Erica Mientus had an impressive debut at the state cross country meet, finishing the three-mile course at Detweiller Park in Peoria in 17 minutes, 46 seconds. Mientus finished 18th out of 253 runners, earning All-State honors in the process.

#### Miles inducted into Golf Hall of

Fame After 50 years on the golf course, Club Merit Superintendent Oscar Miles was inducted into the Illinois Golf Hall of

"It's fantastic that they've recognized my accomplishments," Miles said, "It's quite a prestigious



Oscar Miles

#### Schachner wins Tournament of Champions

While her brother Michael, a senior at Libertyville High School, usually got the share of headlines in the family, LHS sophomore Nicole Schachner made a few of her own by winning the Illinois Junior Golf Association Tournament of Champions over the summer.

"It was a good start to the season," Schachner said.

Her season ended with her second straight trip downstate, and a tie for 5th place at the state meet.

Rob Backus, Christine LaFave, Steve Peterson and John Phelps contributed to this report. Lakeland file photos.

#### LOCAL DIGEST

#### Village announces regular meeting schedule

An annual schedule of meetings for the board of directors of the village of Antioch has been determined and announced for 2004.

As in years past, meeting have been scheduled for the first and third Mondays of each month. Meetings are held at 7:30 p.m. in the board room of Village Hall, located at 874 Main St.

Only one meeting is scheduled for the months of July and August and will be held on the third Monday, July 19 and Aug. 16, respectively.

Meetings that would typically fall during a Monday holiday have been moved to Tuesday. Tuesday meetings are as follows: Jan. 20, Feb. 17 and Sept. 7.

The complete meeting schedule for 2004 is Jan. 5 and 20, Feb. 2 and 17, March 1 and 15, April 5 and 19, May 3 and 17, June 7 and 21, July 19, Aug. 16, Sept. 7 and 20, Oct. 4 and 18, Nov. 1 and 15 and Dec. 6 and 20.

Sub-committee meetings of the board are scheduled as needed and posted in accordance with the Open Meetings Act. Regular meetings can be cancelled or continued as required.

#### Screening can reduce risk of stroke

A good way to ring in the new year is to take 10 minutes to screen for and, therefore, reduce the risk of stroke.

Residents living in and around Antioch can register for an appointment for the tests when Life Line Screening comes to St. Peter Church on Tuesday, Jan. 5.

Life Line reports that 75 percent of all strokes are linked to carotid artery blockage. It screens these arteries to determine stroke risk.

Anyone over the age of 40 years old is encouraged to participate. This program is open to the public.

Each of the three vascular tests is \$45. Complete vascular screening is \$99.

Osteoporosis screening is \$35, separately or can be added to the vascular screening for a total cost of \$125.

Pre-registration is required. Early morning appointments are said to fill first.

For more information and to schedule an appointment, call 800-407-4557. St. Peter

Church is located at 557 Lake St., by the Jewel store.

#### Keep PM&L singing, dancing, acting

PM&L has something different planned for the new year, and hopes to raise some extra funds to keep it operating at its best. It's hosting a fund raiser called "Winter Wonderland Concert" that will feature mainly Broadway show tunes on Jan. 10 at 8 p.m.

The concert will feature many of PM&L's regular singers and pianists.

Tracy Kiederlen of Antioch, Murry Holmstrom of Bristol, Wis., and Paul Bleadow of Kenosha, Wis. will take turns at the piano.

Antioch singers include Donna Abear, Ken and Betty Smouse, Fran and Trish Jansta, Michelle Self and Roz Ohlinger. Additionally, Alice Byrne and Jim Olson, of Pleasant Prairie, Wis.; Mark and Donna Badtke, of Genoa City, Wis.; Josh and Mary St. John, of Round Lake Beach; Lori Jo Metz, of Gurnee; Mary Campbell, of Palatine; Bob Wang, of Bristol, Wis.; and Chris Jones, of Lindenhurst will contribute to the vocals.

Reservations can be made beginning on Jan. 5. Box office hours are Monday through Thursday from 5:30-7:30 p.m. and at 6:30 p.m. on the night of the show.

#### Garden club hosts regular meetings through June

Antioch Garden Club meets the first Monday of the month, September through June at 6:30 p.m. at the United Methodist Church at 848 Main St., Antioch.

Visitors and new members are welcome. For more information call 847-395-1202.

#### VFW offers fish fry

Antioch VFW Post 4551 has started having a fish fry on Friday nights from 4-8 p.m.

In addition to cod, perch and shrimp the menu offers burgers and chicken strips. Dinners are served with French fries or a baked potato, in a limited quantity, and coleslaw bread and butter.

Cost varies from about \$3-8, depending on the fish or meat.

For more information, call 847-395-5393.

## NEIGHBORS

Name: Roxanne Salgado

Home: Antioch

My family/pets: Two dogs, Chucky and Cheetah, a younger brother Jason, my mom Patricia and my dad Javier

attend/graduated from: I am an eighth-grader at Antioch Upper Grade School.

What I like best about my town: I like that it's quiet.

**Hobbies:** Swimming

album/cd: "Jackpot" by **Favorite** Chingy

Favorite sports team: The Cubs

Best local restaurant: Triple P's

Favorite home-cooked meal: Pasta

Person I admire most: My mom

If I had \$1 million, I would: Go to the mall

If I had a plane ticket anywhere, I'd go to: Paris

My pet peeve is: Cracking knuckles

If I had one wish, it would be: To have more wishes

My dream job would be: An actress

My life's motto is: Nothing lasts for-

If you have a "Neighbor" that you would like to see profiled in this column, call Lakeland Newspapers at 847-223-8161.

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Call 847-223-8161 or e-mail calendar@lakelandmedia.com A 14-day notice is requested for all items.

Friday, January 2

7:30 a.m., Lake County Chamber of Commerce networkers group meets at the Hampton Inn in Gurnee. For info., call 847-249-3800

7:30 p.m., Lake County Camera Club meets at Gurnee Senior Citizen Center, SW corner of Washington St. and Almond Rd. in Gurnee, call 847-856-1583

Saturday, January 3

Noon, Christian Singles group meets at Wesley Church, 3601 N. Lewis Ave. in Waukegan. After the potluck, enjoy games. Bring a wrapped, white elephant item for a prize. For info., call 847-244-1632

Sunday, January 4

7-9 p.m., Open Gym at Antioch Community High School, cost \$2, adults only

7:30 p.m., Lake County Singles group meets at Dover Straits, on Rte. 45 in Mundelein. Cost is \$7, free buffet, speed dating, music and more. For info., call the hotline at 847-604-1840 or visit www.lakecountysingles.net

Monday, January 5

8 a.m.-4 p.m., Auto/Truck Parts Swapmeet held at the Lake County Fairgrounds, Rte. 120 & Rte. 45 in Grayslake. Admission is \$6. For more info., call 630-876-1042 or visit skipsusa.com

12:45 p.m., Bingo held at The Antioch Senior Center, call 847-395-7120 for details

1 p.m., Prairie Pioneers #1081, an organization for the study of antiques and the preservation of heritage, meets at private home. Call 847-223-4001 to learn more

4-8:45 p.m. Mon. and 9 a.m.-8:45 p.m. Tues., Great Magazine Sale held at the Lake Villa District Library, 1001 East Grand Ave. All used magazines, withdrawn from the library's collection, will sell for 25¢ each. All are welcome

5:30 p.m., TOPS group meets in Lindenhurst at the Victory Ambulatory Surgery Center and Outpatient Services at 1050 Red Oak Lane on the first floor. Call Tina at 847-265-9364

7 p.m., Sub-committee meetings of the Antioch Village Board held. Committee Meetings of the Whole follow at 8 p.m. in the Board Room, Antioch Village Hall, 874 Main St.

7-9 p.m., Lakes Area Community Band rehearsal at ACHS, call 847-395-6729

Tuesday, January 6

6-8 p.m., Bariatric Treatment Centers (BTC) hosts a dance and exercise class downstairs at the Antioch Senior Center, 817 Holbeck Dr (behind the fire station). For more info., call Karen at 847-395-6244

6:45 p.m., Antioch VFW Bingo, doors open 4:30 p.m., call 847-395-5393

7:30 p.m., Lake County Coin Club meeting at Jester's Lounge, 1500 Lewis Ave. in Waukegan. For info., call Les at 847-662-1955

7-8 p.m., Weigh to Win program held at Calvary Christian Center, Monaville Rd., west of Rte. 83 in Lake Villa. Call 847-356-6181

Wednesday, January 7

7-8:30 p.m., A Safe Place/Lake County Crisis offers free support groups in Lake County for women who are victims of physical, emotional or psychological abuse. Meetings in Round Lake, call 847-249-4450

6:30 p.m., TOPS Weight Loss weigh-in, 7 p.m. meeting at Antioch Senior Center, 817 Holbeck, info. at 847-395-6443 or 847-395-8143

7 p.m., Northern Lake County Quilter's Guild meets at Millburn Church, corner of Rte. 45 and Grass Lake Rd. in Millburn. Call Madelyn at 847-587-4599 for further details

Thursday, January 8

7:15 a.m., Business Network International (BNI) meets at the Hillside Restaurant in Grayslake. BNI is a coalition of businesses with one person from each occupation. Members give each other referrals. Call Craig Henderson at 847-840-6464

7:45-9 a.m., The Women's Referral Assoc. (WRA) meets at Grandma V's Pancake House, intersection of Rtes. 45 & 176 in Mundelein. Only one member per business category. Meetings open to all women in business. Call Jeanne Silver at 847-367-1500

8-9 a.m., Network Lake County, a business networking group, meets, for location, call Boyce Buckner at 847-838-0058

7:30 p.m., Village of Antioch Planning & Zoning Board meets at the Municipal Bldg., 874 Main St. Call 847-395-1000 to confirm

Friday, January 9

7-9 p.m., Support group for divorced or separated people. Child care provided at no cost. Held at Calvary Christian Center, 134 Monaville Rd. in Lake Villa. For details, call 847-356-6181

Saturday, January 10

10 a.m.-4 p.m. Sat., 7 a.m.-3 p.m. Sun., Antiques, Collectables & Flea Market held at the Lake County Fairgrounds, 50 S. Route 45, Grayslake. All are welcome. Saturday Early Buyers session from 8-10 a.m., admission is \$15. Regular cost is \$4. Call 715-526-9769 or visit www.lakecountyfairassoc.com

Sunday, January 11

2 p.m., "An Afternoon of Classical Guitar" presented by the Barrington Chapter of Lyric Opera of Chicago. Held at the Barrington Area Arts Council Gallery, 207 Park Ave. in Barrington. 16-year old classical guitarist Jennifer Ernst, a native of Highland Park, will open the program. Cost is \$10 for members, \$15 for guest. RSVP by Jan. 5, call 847-382-2613

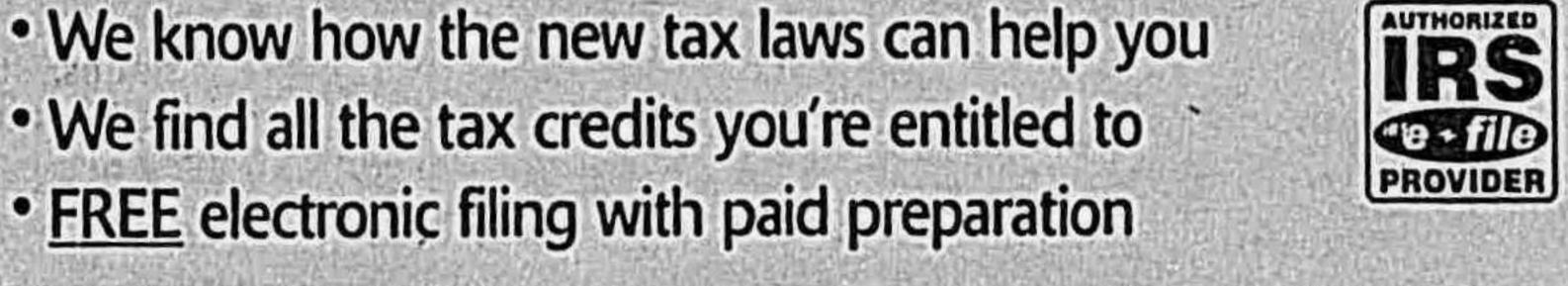
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January 14 11 a.m.-6 p.m., Antioch District 34 annual Blood Drive at Oakland Elementary School, Grass Lake and Deep Lake Rds. Walk-ins welcome, or call 847-838-8911 for an appointment or details

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#### LAKE VILLA / LINDENHURST LIBRARY NOTES

Unless otherwise noted, all programs are held at the Lake Villa District Library (LVDL), 1001 E. Grand Ave., near Deep Lake Road. For information, call 847-356-7711.

**Great Magazine Sale** Monday, Jan. 5, 4-8:45 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 6, 9 a.m.-8:45 p.m.

All used magazines, withdrawn from the library's collection, will sell for 25 cents each.

Register for the following programs at the Adult Reference Desk or call 847-356-7711. You must register in person for programs requiring a fee. Programs may be cancelled due to lack of registration.

Touched by Africa Thursday, Jan. 8, 7 p.m.

See the magnificent land of Africa through the slides of Walt and Carol Anderson. Journey to Kenya and experience the Samburu National Reserve, Lake Nakuru National Park and the Masai Maria National Reserve.

#### The Big Band Sounds of Bob Duda

Sunday, Jan. 11, 2 p.m.

Enjoy your favorite Frank Sinatra, Bobby Darin, and Dean Martin songs performed by Bob Duda.

Internet for beginners Wednesday, Jan. 14, 1 & 6 p.m.

This class is perfect for the novice. Sessions run 45 minutes in the Gridley Computer Lab. Registration is required.

Inspirations of an Art Quilter Thursday, Jan. 15, 1 p.m.

Textile artist Wendy Butler Berns has a passion for quilts and over the years has made over 150. Join Wendy as she shares highlights of her quilting journey and showcases pieces from her collection.

Dead of Winter Film Noir **Double Feature** 

Thursday, Jan. 15 4 p.m.—"The Big Sleep"

Starring Humphrey Bogart and Lauren Bacall

6:30 p.m.—"Double Indemnity" Starring Fred MacMurray and Barbara Stanwyck

**Watercolor Demonstration** by artist Suzanne Hetzel Saturday, Jan. 17, 10 a.m.

Watch and learn to paint with watercolors from Antioch Fine Arts Foundation Artist, Suzanne Hetzel.

There will be copies of discussion group books available at the Circulation Desk. All are welcome to attend.

#### **Adult Book Discussion**

The Adult Book Discussion Group meets the second Saturday of each month at 10 a.m. in the library's Wilton Room. Books to be read and discussed are suggested by and voted on annually by members of the group. Refreshments are served and new members or visitors are always welcome.

Saturday, Jan. 10, 10 a.m. "The Clothes They Stood Up In" by Alan Bennett

Returning home from the opera, the Ransomes discover that their Notting Hill flat has been stripped bare of everything, and they are forced to adjust to life without the possessions that define them—until their things mysteriously reappear.

Homeschoolers Book Discussion

(Ages 6-12)

Tuesday, Jan. 13, 1 p.m. "Some Birthday!" by Patricia Pollacco

Teen Book of the Month

January

"Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants" by Ann Brashares

Four best girlfriends spend the biggest summer of their lives enchanted by a magical pair of pants.

#### LAKE VILLA / LINDENHURST PARK HAPPENINGS

Unless otherwise noted, all programs are held at the Lindenhurst Park District Community Center, 2200 E. Grass Lake road, west of Route 45. For more information, call 847-356-6011 or visit the park district on the web at www.lindenhurstparks.org.

First fan club

Children who love "Blues Clues," Elmo, Barney or Clfford the Big Red Dog will love the park district's own blue dog, red monster, purple dinosaur and big red dog.

In this parent/child calss, children will experience creative play, games, musical instruments, story time, crafts and more alongside their favorite characters. Parents are invited to bring cameras to capture the moments. For ages 18 months-3 years, on Wednesdays, from 6-6:50 p.m. Session 1 meets Jan. 7-Feb. 11. Session 2 meets Feb. 18-March 24. Fees are \$70 for residents, \$77

for non-residents.

Spring kindergarten soccer

Kindergarten registration, for children who missed the May registration, will take place during the month of January for the spring 2004 season. Children must currently be in kindergarten. The registration fee is \$55. The park district is also seeking adult volunteer coaches for the program.

Free training for volunteer soccer coaches

Free training is available for those who would like to be soccer coaches or who are current coaches who want to learn more.

Clinics will be held at Millburn School on three Mondays (Jan. 12, Feb. 9 and March 8) from 6:230-9 p.m. Pre-registration is required. Call Suzie, at 847-356-6011.

# New year brings library speakers

By JULIE MURPHY jmurphy@lakelandmedia.com

Guest speakers are becoming a regular part of the Antioch Public Library's adult program, with the first two for 2004 already scheduled.

Michael Heffernan, of Polson's Natural Foods, will make the first presentation of the year on Monday, Jan. 12 at 7 p.m. The topic of discussion: "Know Your Therapeutic Herbs."

Jane Connors-Geddes, adult programs coordinator, said, "This is something we're going to be doing routinely. For the coming year, I hope to plan two speakers a month."

She said she chose Heffernan as the year's first speaker as many therapeutic herbs address things like relieving symptoms of the common cold.

Next in the line-up, Cindy Hartzburg, systems administrator from the library will present "How to Buy a Home Computer" on Wednesday, Jan. 21 at 7 p.m. Registration is recommended for this event.

Sharon Yiesla of the University of Illinois extension office will discuss garden design on Wednesday, Jan. 28 at 7 p.m.

Connors-Geddes said that it's never too early to plan a beautiful garden for the spring growing season.

"She (Yiesla) is very into the native plants that grow naturally in our area," she said. "She'll be presenting a 'how to' on setting up a nice garden for the summer."

Registration is recommended for both programs, and can be done by calling the library at 847-395-0847 and asking for the reference department.

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Caring people

We happen to think the Mayor of Antioch and Bill Smith are two very caring people. We thank them both for caring enough about people to help out one of our neighbors. Thank you both. Keep up the good work.

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WINNING CLASSIFIED

#### House uninhabitable after Christmas fire

Mundelein-An oaded socket near a Christmas tree may have sparked the Christmas Day fire that left a home uninhabitable, said a Countryside firefighter who helped extinguish the blaze in 19000 block of West Shore Drive. When firefighters arrived at the scene, flames were shooting out of the first- and secondfloor windows.

Firefighters rescued woman from a balcony on the second floor after the woman had re-entered the house to find her cat. It took four hours for firefighters to put out the blaze and the structure was heavily damaged. The cost of the damage is estimated at \$160,000.

#### Leafblad stays on ballot Grayslake-District 6 Lake County Board candidate Bryan

has lost is bid to get for-Lake Board County member Larry Lealblad thrown off the ballot in the March GOP



Gutraj withdrew his objection against the nominating petitions of Leafblad interest so after

Electoral Board decided to overturn the first count of his blections which had to do with notariza-



The objection was filed on Dec. 22 by Gutraj, and cited an abundance of errors and inconsistencies in Leafblad's petitions, ranging from invalid signatures and improper notarization to inconsistent headings.

#### Checks, cash stolen in ArtWorks burglary

Fox Lake-Police are investigating theft of cash at an area art center. The incident was discovered on Dec. 26 and probably took place Dec. 24, officials said. An unknown amount of cash. was stolen as well as checks from the register, officials said.

#### PICTURE OF THE WEEK



#### Twisted sisters

Seven-year-old Alexis Strothers, a first-grader at Woodland Elementary School, and second-grader Katherine Olrick, 8, play a game of Twister as first-grader Harley Swanson, 6, looks on during a session of Woodland Champions at the Gages Lake school.—Photo by Sandy Bressner

# Dog training may change at preserve's parks

By CAREL SCHMIDLKOFER carels@lakelandmedia.com

A clause in dog park regulations has some Lake County Forest Preserve officials howling mad.

Some council members object to the fact blank .22 caliber ammunition devices are permitted in the dog parks for training purposes.

"I think the notion that we're allowing people to bring guns into the forest preserve is something that think is dangerous," Robert Sabonjian (D-Waukegan) said at the Dec. 19 board meeting.

"It is not an appropriate activity for our forest preserves and we should make a blanket statement: no guns on the golf and forest preserve property." Pamela Newton (R-Vernon Hills), cited concerns about public safety regarding firearms in a public park. She asked for the board to hold a discussion on

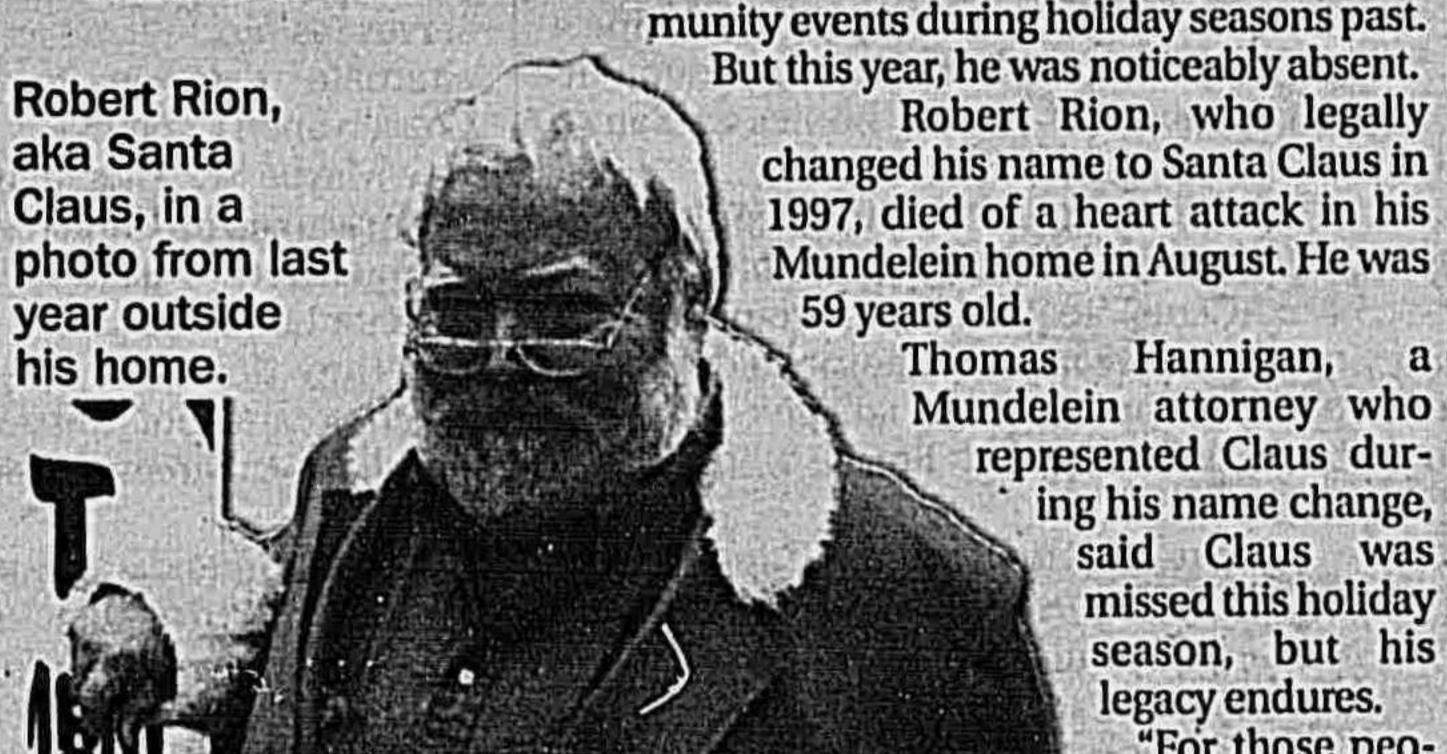
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# This Christmas,

By CHRISTY BLANDFORD Lakeland Correspondent

# Santa's missed

or some, it was a Christmas without Santa Claus. When children called Santa Claus's Mundelein hotline last year, they were greeted with a jolly voice. But those who wanted to tell Santa their wish lists this Christmas could not; the hotline was disconnected. Mundelein's Santa Claus was a fixture at schools, scout troops and com-



Hannigan, Mundelein attorney who represented Claus during his name change, said Claus was missed this holiday

> "For those people who did (call the hotline), they would have missed it, but he spread so much

ease see SANTA / B2

# Cost of county Web site climbs to \$250K

By CAREL SCHMIDLKOFER carels@lakelandmedia.com

Officials approved an ordinance approving an increase in the Forest

Preserve's technology replacement fund for \$100,000.

Of that amount, \$98,500 will be paid to a Web site development firm to complete the district's Web site improvements which includes offering the public businesses services.

Maine -To date the district has spent approximately \$250,000 on upgrades to the site that offers visitors basic information

about the forest preserves. According to officials, the site is visited 400 times a day and has received two national awards for excellence.

A 2002 public opinion survey conducted by the district indicated 21 percent of those polled would use the site for information and services if provided.

Program registration, picnic shelter reservations and permit sales will be offered on the site with the

upgrade, reducing staff time and paperwork.

There was discussion about imposing service fees on registration for those that use on-line services in an effort to recoup some of the costs associated with the Web site improvements.

Ann Maine (R-Lincolnshire) said people expect to take advantages

of on-line services and are willing to pay for them.

"It is a convenience," Suzi Schmidt (R-Lake Villa) of those who want to purchase services on-line. "And the public is willing to pay that extra."

Further discussion about what kind of fees will be discussed at a later date and until that time the ordinance was tabled.

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# Nickel to get a facelift

U.S. Mint announces first changes to five-cent piece in 65 years

By ROB BACKUS rbackus@lakelandmedia.com

On the heels of its widely successful 50-state quarters program, the U.S. Mint has decided to give the nickel a facelift—its first change in 65 years.

moment for the Nation—the first change in our nickel in 65 years," said United States Mint Director Henrietta Holsman Fore. "These nickels honor Thomas Jefferson and commemorate the 200th anniversary of the Louisiana Purchase, the momentous agreement that doubled the size of our country, and the remarkable expedition of Lewis and Clark, who journeyed more than 8,000 miles from Virginia to the Pacific Ocean and back to see the lands and the people of the great Northwest."

On April 23, President Bush signed legislation authorizing changes to the nickel through 2005 to commemorate the upcoming bicentennial of explorers Meriwether Lewis and William Clark's journey over the rivers of the Louisiana Territory.

"With Lewis and Clark's

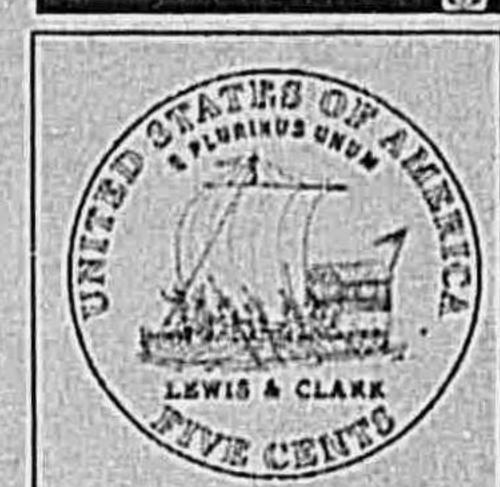
bicentennial approaching, the change to the nickel was natural," said M i c h a e l White, U.S. M i n t spokesman. "(Thomas) Jefferson was president and the voyage of discovery took place while he

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According to the U.S. Mint, the o b v e r s e (heads side) of the 2004-dated nickel

will remain the current likeness of Thomas Jefferson. A likeness of Jefferson will remain on the obverse throughout the nickel series. His home at Monticello, represented in the current design introduced in 1938, will return to the reverse in 2006. At that time, the like-





Designs of the "tails" side of the new nickel, set to be released in April.

Clark expedition members and supplies as they ke-traveled in search of a north-. A west passage to the Pacific vill Ocean. Lewis and Clark are

in full uniform on the bow.

The U.S. Mint anticipates the minting of around one billion nickels in 2004, nearly 500 million for each set.

"There is a broad consensus out there for coin

redesign," White said. "It harkens back to the impetus behind the state quarters program.

"The program generated

"The program generated a lot of interest in coin collection, especially among younger collectors, because of the educational value of the quarters."

Mike Moczalla of the Vernon Hills-based MGM Currency and Collectable agrees that the state quarters program increased interest in coin collecting.

"The new quarters have kept me busy," Moczalla said. "They've enhanced the hobby and brought new people into coin collecting."

Moczalla also anticipates high interest in the new nickels, and has noticed increased demand for the 2003 nickel, the last nickel to be minted in the current design.

"The 2003 nickel is a tough get," Moczalla said.

As far as the new nickel goes, according to Moczalla, the market for "proofs" of the coin (which are considered much more valuable than coins put into general circulation) will depend on supply and demand.

# FWA may end support of Conservation Congress

By STEVE PETERSON speterson@lakelandmedia.com

A difference of opinion appears to be developing among Fox Waterway Agency directors about the Conservation Congress.

"I'm not a fan of the Conservation Congress. It is a nice organization, but I am not sure that it has any benefit to us as an agency," said FWA Chairman Howard "Bud" Scott.

Scott and others questioned expending agency funds to reimburse Director Mike Mueller Sr. for attending meetings in Springfield.

Conservation Congress is a branch of the Illinois Department of Natural Resources. Various committees made recommendations on subjects such as education, funding, land and water management, outdoor recreation, public and political involvement and more.

Mueller told fellow direc-

tors that he believes membership is worthwhile. The FWA at one time gave the Conservation Congress \$5,000.

Maybe we should have an annual cap on it and review it quarterly,"

Jane Hummel.

FWA Director

serves as an alternate delegate to the Conservation Congress.

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an annual cap on it and review it quarterly," said FWA Director Jane Hummel.

"How does this directly

"How does this directly effect us and our mission?" asked FWA Director Chuck Haley.

"Recommendations also include the fish hatchery. They will be given to the legislature. It represents about three years of work," Mueller said.

The Conservation Congress's next meeting will be in January or February.

The mission statement of the Conservation Congress declares, "The mission of the Illinois Conservation Congress shall be to propose and advocate actions that can be taken by elected and appointed officials to protect and conserve the natural resources of the state of Illinois and ensure through professional management that sustainable use, recreational opportunities and enjoyment of these resources is available for this and future generations."

Educational recommendations of the Conservation Congress include training teachers to teach the Entice program. The statment also notes, "Expansion of the program can become a reality if the following needs are met: additional facilities in the north and south of the state, more trainers (professional and volunteer) to staff these new facilities, promotion of program through advertising and Regional Office of Education, additional funding through corporate and private sponsors." Educators, partner organizations and citizens are listed as a means to achieve this goal.

Another problem addressed in education is the lack of youth mentoring programs for hunting and fishing. The recommen-

dation would create special programs and events to increase the number of youths who learn about hunting and fishing. One step is initiating a hunt by youth in each region with mentors and hunting area access.

Funding area incentives include that Illinois is ranked 47 out the fact of 50 states for public open space available for recreation. "Develop a coalition of supporters to restore grant funding. Develop educational materials to be used in public presentations. IDNR needs to work with constituents to prioritize resources until new funding sources are achieved," the July report recommends.

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## PARKS

the policy.

Andrew Kimmel, director of environmental education and public affairs, pointed out that the parks had originally been set up as dog training areas and still are open to that activity.

Noise from guns is not only disturbing to other dogs, but to people as well, said Suzi Schmidt (R-Lake Villa).

A discussion will be held at a

A discussion will be held at a later date regarding the use of blank guns at the dog parks.

The forest preserve's four area dog parks are a popular attraction for dog owners. Dogs can exercise and socialize unleashed within fenced fields and wooded areas. Over 4,500 owners purchased annual permits in 2003.

The sites are Independence Grove near Libertyville, Prairie Wolf near Lake Forest, Duck Farm near Lindenhurst and Lakewood by Wauconda. Restrictions include a current rabies vaccination tag number for each dog registered, dogs are the responsibility of their owners, and no more than three dogs per owner are permitted into the parks at one time.

## SANTA

good cheer for 25 years," Hannigan said.
"I'm sure he would have wished to do it longer, but I think he had a positive impact."

Claus's white beard, 6-foot, 300pound frame, and red-and-white clothing suited his name, Hannigan said.

"(He changed his name) because it's something that he truly wanted to be," Hannigan said. "He was a very heavy-set man with a white beard and truly looked the part."

Claus made holiday appearances around Lake County and operated a year-round hotline so area children could talk to him and hear his advice throughout the year on how not to receive coal in their stockings.

Claus refused to accept commission for his appearances, Hannigan said.

"He never accepted anything for any of his Santa Claus activities—he just loved to do it," he said. "He was a jolly person."

Village officials were able to continue their annual "Santa's Cottage" display in downtown Mundelein this year because residents other than Claus have been contracted for years to serve as Santa, Mayor Marilyn Sindles said.

Peter Tekampe, Fremont Township

supervisor, knew Claus from attending St. Mary Church as well as from eating at the same restaurant regularly.

Claus liked to spread holiday spirit, but he could be stubborn, Tekampe said.

Tekampe said he asked Claus one Christmas season to visit his house in his Santa suit in order to surprise Tekampe's grandchildren. But Claus refused; he would not visit private homes as Santa, Tekampe said.

But Tekampe thought he could bribe Claus to visit his grandchildren.

"(Claus) acquired some reindeer and needed some hay," Tekampe said. "I farm part-time and I said, "I will give it to you, but it will cost you." But he wouldn't do it."

Claus eventually agreed and visited Tekampe's house to pick up the hay and visit the children—or so Tekampe thought.

"He tricked me—he (picked up the hay) and left," Tekampe said. "He was a little stubborn, but he would give you the shirt off his back if you needed it, and I would have done the same for him."

Christmas was not the same without Claus, Tekampe said. "It was different," he said. "Everybody missed him."

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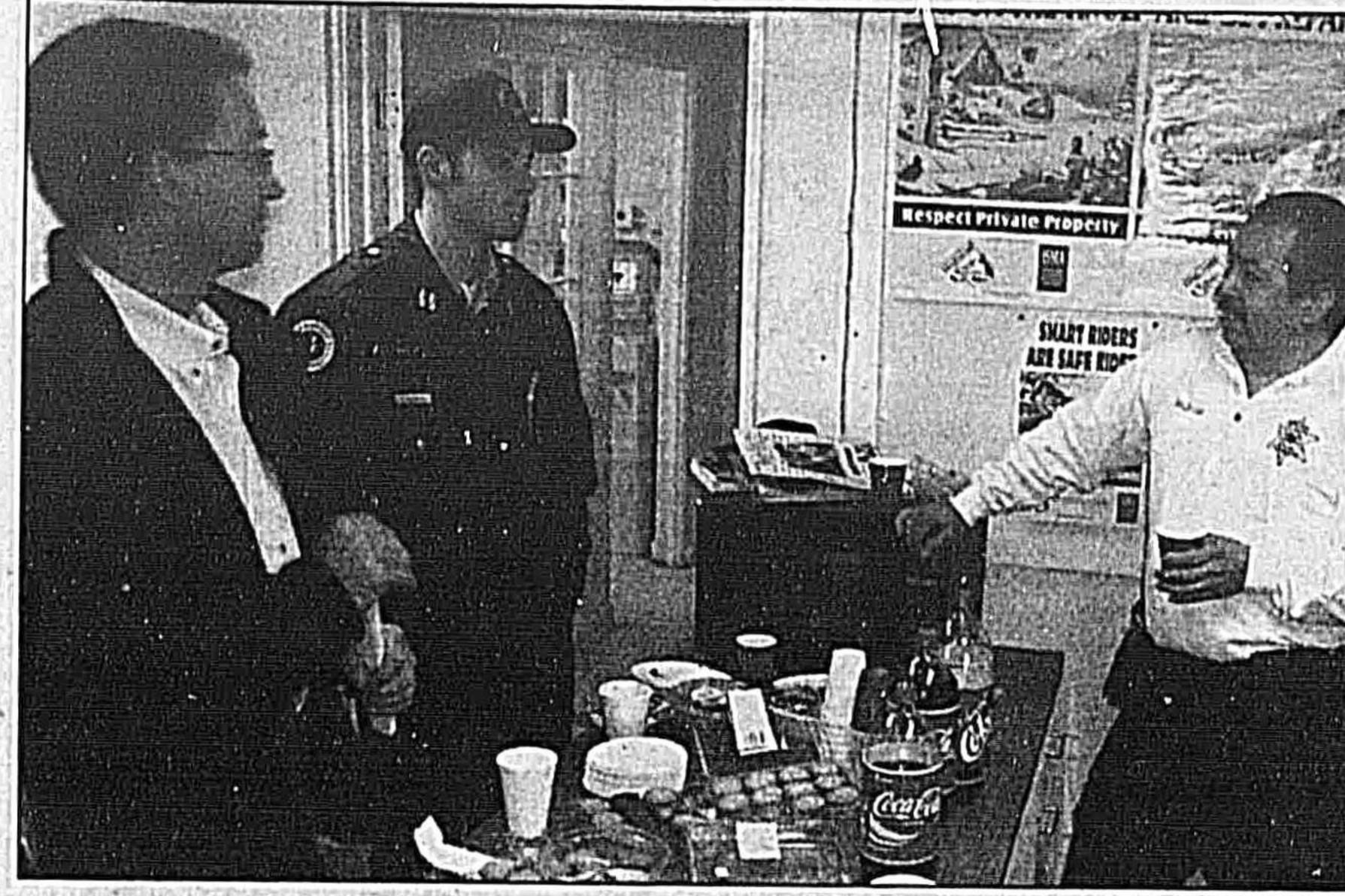
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Lake County Forest Preserve Ranger Police Sergeant Ino Saldivar visits with Cadet Captain Brett McArthur of Ingleside and with Seaby Bess and his son Bob Bess, 13, of Libertyville during a Lake County Forest Preserve Ranger Cadet Open House in Wauconda. For more information about the cadet program, call 847-968-3301 ext.4507.—Photo by Lynn Gunnarson Dahlstrom

# County's Ranger Cadet program attracts teens

By CHRISTINE LaFAVE clafave@lakelandmedia.com

Lake County Forest Preserve District is looking for local teens, ages 14-21, who are interested in conservation, law enforcement or outdoor survival skills to join its Ranger Cadet program.

A recent open house drew five would-be Ranger cadets to the Lakewood Forest Preserve Ranger Station, located on the 27000 block of Forest Preserve Road in Wauconda.

Ranger and Post Advisor Ino Saldivar said the Ranger Cadet program is similar to other law enforcement explorer programs, but the Ranger Cadet program offers more opportunities for hands-on learning about the types of situations rangers face on a daily basis.

Ranger cadets meet monthly at the Ranger Station. The cadets select in advance the topic for a particular month. In November, cadets will learn self-defense skills. Past topics have included orienteering, conservation law and public relations. Ranger cadets must pass a test for every skill they learn.

Saldivar, who has worked with the LCFPD for 13 years, established the Ranger Cadet program six years ago.

"Even though it's a law enforcement and conservation unit, you don't have to be interested in law enforcement because it's really all about making good decisions," he said.

Roy Johnson, LCFPD superintendent of public safety, said Saldivar took the initiative to create a program with broad appeal that would also challenge young people. "He really took the ball and ran with it," he said. "There was a lack of interest, but then he really revitalized the program."

Open house attendees learned what it takes to join and stay with the Ranger Cadet program. While cadets have the freedom to select the types of activities in which they'd like to participate, the program involves much more

#### Rangers offer snomo safety, certification

One of the Lake County Forest Preserve Rangers' next programs will show people how to safely operate a snowmobile with a snowmobile safety class and certification exam.

Taught by Forest Preserve Rangers, the indoor class will prepare snowmobilers for the written state certification exam. Passing the exam allows those under age 16 to operate a snowmobile without an

Snowmobile Safety is open to adults and children 10 years and older. Though 10-year-olds may attend the safety class and take the exam, the actual certification cannot be issued until turning 12 years of

The one-day classes will be offered from 8 a.m.-5 p.m., on Jan. 10 and 17, Feb. 7 and 14.

Cost for the class is \$10 (\$5 for county residents). Pre-registration is required. To register call 847-968-3411.

than running around a forest preserve once a month. Cadets go on "ride-alongs" with rangers, learn handcuffing and practice how to give a speech to the community.

When newcomers decide to formally join the program, they must write a brief essay explaining their interest in becoming a Ranger cadet and what they think they could bring to the program. There is a one-time registration fee of \$17; monthly dues are \$5 and go toward furnishing supplies for the cadets and paying for outings.

Saldivar said there is no official start date or end date to any Ranger Cadet program, as the program runs year-round. Some cadets have been with the program for nearly six years, he said.

# Underage liquor compliance sting hits 13 area businesses

announced the success of a countywide liquor compliance sting. The operation took place during December with 13 businesses being in violation.

Members of the Lake County Sheriff Criminal Investigations Division initiated the sting and underage decoys were recruited to assist in the operation. During each of the compliance checks, investigators would give Avenue in Beach Park. an underage decoy a certain amount of cash.

Then the "decoy" would go into a business and attempt to purchase alcohol while being monitored by investigators. If a clerk sold the "decoy" alcohol, investigators would go into the store, identify themselves, and write the store clerk a violation ticket for Unlawful Sale of Alcohol to a minor. The alcohol was then returned to the store and the investigators took the currency back. Each clerk was released at the scene.

"The purpose of this operation was not to hinder business for law abiding owners, but to ensure that employee's of these business's were abiding by the laws of Illinois and not selling alcohol to people under the age of 21," Del Re said.

Lake County Sheriff Gary Del Re The following businesses were cited for selling alcohol to a minor:

Lou Perrine's-41867 N. Route 41 in Wadsworth.

7-11/Citgo-37763 Green Bay Road in Beach Park.

Mobil Gas-38947 Green Bay Road in Beach Park.

Hoeksema's Mini-mart—38975 Lewis

Shell Station—38357 Sheridan Road in Beach Park.

Marathon Station-41490 N. Route 41 in Wadsworth.

The Convenience Stop—18495 Old Gages Lake Road in Gages Lake. Mobil Station—18450 Grand Avenue in

Kwik Pantry-24480 Grass Lake Road in

Mobil Station-25112 Route 173 in

BP Station—41530 Route 45 in Antioch.

Citgo Station-41452 Green Bay Road in Wadsworth.

Mobil Station—15679 Wadsworth Road in Wadsworth.

# Orientation set for volunteer tutors

The Lake County Adult Learning Connection is accepting registrations for its upcoming volunteer tutor orientation slated to begin at 7 p.m., on Wednesday, Jan. 7. The twohour meeting will be held at the Adult Learning and Technology Center, 2416 W. Washington in Waukegan. All interested volunteers are required to attend the orientation and the subsequent series of workshops for either basic literacy or English as a Second Language.

The basic literacy tutor training runs from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 10. The remaining dates for basic literacy workshops are Jan. 13, 15, 20, 27 and Feb. 26 from 7 -9:15 p.m. The English as a Second Language volunteer training begins at 7 p.m. on Jan. 8 and resumes on Jan. 13, 15, 20 and Feb. 26. Both series of workshops will be held at the College of Lake County in Grayslake. For information or registration call Carol Morris at 847-623-2041.

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# New court branch to open

On Jan. 6, the 19th Judicial Circuit Court and the Lake County Board will host an open house to celebrate the opening of a new branch court facility in Lake County. The event will take place at 1:30 p.m. and is open to the public. The new facility is located at the intersection of Rt. 60/83 and Diamond Lake Road in Mundelein. "The South Branch Traffic Court is an

important addition to the court system

because it brings the justice system closer to

residents," said Chief Judge Margaret Mullen. "This facility will be much more convenient for residents and police officers from southern

Lake County who must appear in court." Representatives from the 19th Judicial Circuit Court, Lake County Board and Circuit Court Clerk's office will participate in a brief ceremony during this public event. The open house occurs one day after the facility opens

for business on Monday, Jan. 5.

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#### **EDITORIALS**

# Scenic byways worth preserving

ane County, on the western edge of the metropolitan area, has been experiencing the kind of growth and development the past several years that engulfed Lake County two decades ago.

With a history of settlement paralleling that of Lake County, Kane has many scenic byways that bestow character and color that are endangered by urban sprawl. How many country tableaus in Lake County now are only memories, replaced by suburban rooftops, blackstop, strip malls and modern intersections?

As a tool to slow down pell mell growth, Kane County residents in 2000 enacted a unique "rustic road" designation as part of planning and zoning control. Preservationists hailed the first designated rustic road in December as a landmark event. It took a long time coming, but saving expansive scenic views and 150 to 200-year-old trees is considered well worth the effort. Kane County already has a historic-preservation ordinance.

As we understand it, after designation, any major visible changes in the rustic road corridor will require approval of the county's Historic Preservation Commission. Safety and maintenance work cannot be blocked. The designation isn't so far reaching that development can be stopped in its tracks. Changes are applicable only with support of property owners. Otherwise, the country roadway remains much like it has been for the past 100 years or so.

Still, the identification elevates a scenic roadway to protected status.

Lest you think Kane has been taken over by tree huggers, controlled growth advocates received a setback recently when County Board Chairman Michael McCoy, an outspoken supporter of reigning in mushroom growth, announced that he will not seek re-election. McCoy has been scolded constantly by developers and is considered a leader of forces out to sidetrack plans to build a new expressway through Kane and Kendall counties to connect Interstates 80 and 88. Pro-growth candidates in both parties already are lining up to succeed McCoy.

A precious few side roads remain in Lake County that provide links to a rural heritage. These byways are worth preserving. If Lake County doesn't want to copy the "rustic road" model, a local version to accomplish the same goals would be fine.

# CLC overcomes funding shortfall

espite dealing with the frustrating combination of increasing enrollments and diminishing resources, College of Lake County scored impressive gains in the past year. And then some. Chairperson Rosa Reyes-Prosen attributed notable achievements to a combination of constant focus on improvement and careful financial planning.

President Gretchen J. Naff spurs an almost relentless program of constant self-evaluation and self improvement for the community college operating three facilities, Grayslake campus, Lakeshore campus in Waukegan and the Southlake Education Center, Vernon Hills. Well over half of CLC's total revenues of \$61.2 million is raised locally, \$34.4 million or 65 percent. Tuition and fees for the 2002-2003 academic year amounted to \$14.1 million. The wild card of CLC financing is what comes from the state. Last year state resources were \$10.8 million.

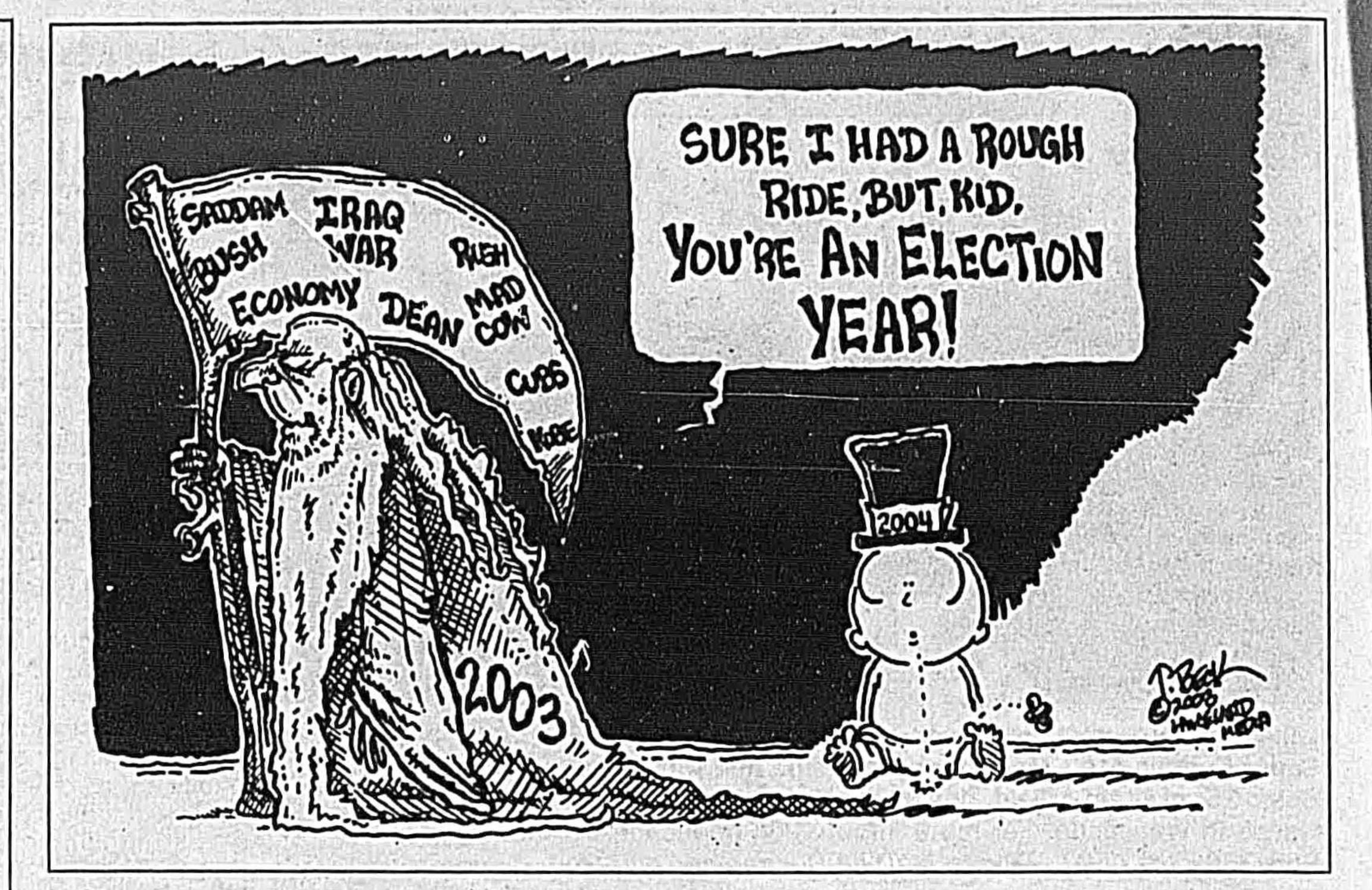
Among CLC's yardsticks for improvement is participation in a national accreditation program. The participation pays off in measuring results in the Lake County service area.

Besides following traditional paths for higher education and career training, CLC pushed a trail-blazing program for nearly 2,000 students enrolled in English as a second language class. The program is exemplified by "Conversation Cafes" where students inter-act with their peers, staff and community volunteers. The program has attained national recognition.

CLC officials take pride in a partnership with an engineering academy in Ukraine that is driven by a U.S. State Dept. grant. Dan Petrosko, computer information systems instructor and anthropology instructor Wendy Brown spent time in the one-time Soviet state, sharing their knowledge. CLC gets around.

Not all the gains last year had to do with academics. On the plus side last year was the institution of a pilot "curb to door" student transportation program serving northeast Lake County.

What is important to the citizens and taxpayers of Lake County, moreover students, is that CLC embraces many means to make the college a better institution.



#### VIEWPOINT

# Worthy resolution:working for peace

here was a time when it was popular and fun to make up New Years resolutions and share them with family and friends.

Newspapers would publish the lists of local dignitaries. Do people still adopt resolutions for the coming year? Mostly it was silly stuff. Quickly forgotten. For good reason.

I gave up the resolution listing exercise a long time ago, maybe the sophomore year in high school. That's a good time to start being realistic about the future.

Only one resolution has counted in my book for many years.
Resolved for the New Year: Doing what I can in my small way to contribute to peace in the world. I like the resolution of a woman minister I read about during the holidays. "I always only have one New Year's wish," she stated. "Give us peace in our time, O Lord."

Simple. To the point. And profound.

Advancing the cause for peace is too important to be left to the big shots. Working for peace is a resolution all of us can make. And keep.

#### Salvi undermined

Disgraced Gov. George Ryan was a Republican when it served his purposes, allowing cronies to go their merry way looting public funds. Lake County resident Al Salvi suffered at Ryan's willfulness and lack of team play in an unsuccessful run for Illinois Secretary of State. Salvi, an upset winner in the GOP primary, presented a comprehensive list of seven key initiatives to improve operations of the Secretary of State's office if elected. Ryan, a former Sec. of State, read



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into the Salvi platform insinuations that serious reforms were needed in the way he had run the office. The result was that Ryan ordered his patronage army to back off the Republican nominee in favor of "soft" support for Jesse White, the Democratic nominee and eventual winner. Would Ryan's help have made a difference for Salvi? Who knows, but the George Ryan crowd sure didn't want an upstart around who might reveal the way they were conducting public business that has come to be known as the Culture of Sleaze.

#### Stealing spirit

Some anonymous grinches in Glenview "enjoyed" the holidays by getting Santa Claus and Christmas decorations banned from a fire station. They were put off by the jolly old man and the colored lights twinkling cheerfully. Something about being offended by a religious display. Oh. The Yuletide nasties weren't identified, but I bet the fire-fighters know who they are, being the resourceful guys they are.

Therein lies a message. Voters also know the elected officials on the

village board who knuckled under to the Kringle bashers. Remember, there's an election in 2005.

#### **Artistic ability**

The artistic side of
Congressman Mark Kirk came out
in the holiday greeting he and Mrs.
Kirk sent. The card contains an
original painting by the Republican
political leader. We're trying to figure out if the painting depicts a
scene in the 10th District he represents running along the North
Shore from Evanston to Waukegan.
Maybe a street scape from
Highwood?

#### Coats aplenty

News room staffers at Lakeland Newspapers can take bows again for another successful holiday coat collection for the needy. Hundreds of coats, last count closing in on 2,000 pounds, were contributed by Lakeland readers during the weeks leading up to Christmas. Distribution was coordinated by Brother Don Thielsen of Maryville, Libertyville, who made sure worthy recipients were able to bundle up.

#### One man's family

The holidays are family time.
This year our household hit the jackpot. Bill Jr. (Dallas) was able to spend a pre-Christmas weekend with the family and celebrate his birthday (Dec. 26) to boot. And Karen (Wisconsin) was able to join Christmas festivities. What a grand way to end one year and start another. We hope your family had a memorable holiday as well. Happy New Year.

#### COMMENTARY

# Candidate's wife speaks out

By Randi J. Scheurer

our column Party Lines, ("Democratic Candidate Not Liberal Enough"), was a good piece worthy of a reply.

I have come to know Bill
Scheurer from 33 years of marriage.
I want to share with your readers
my personal observations of Bill,
the community we have lived in for
25 years and Bill's congressional
candidacy, which I lovingly support.

Bill is an innovator and architect of ideas, meeting challenges head on with dedication, determination, enormous stamina and endurance.

Bill has vision, drive and an optimistic attitude that propels him forward to achieve his goals.

We have seen our community evolve and adapt to the changing times: households taxed to their limit; homeowners compelled to work longer hours to achieve some small measure of financial security; educational choices for children made difficult, if not impossible; and unstable healthcare benefits precarious at best, based on an unstable job market.

College tuition in the past was a no-brainer. Scholarships and low tuition were a given. Now, classes are closed-out for students seeking degrees, quality is lost to cost cuts.

Our government has sacrificed our children's future for their interests. Do we define ourselves by a military economy, money and lives spent, at the expense of our community needs?

Can you see financial security in the near future, for your children or yourselves? Our children are dying in a war with an uncertain outcome without adequate support from other countries while our communities are hemorrhaging internally.

We once supported Iraq's tyrannical leader. Today, we still support leaders that are also tyrannical in other countries. Does this mean

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# Topinka trods trail for GOP revival

o political leader in Illinois faces a more daunting agenda in 2004 than State Treasurer Judy Barr Topinka, who also is state Republican chairman. All the second term executive has to do in the coming year besides keeping watch over state finances is reverse a three-election slide for the GOP nominee for president, retain a Republican seat in the U.S. Senate and revive a moribund party bruised by scandal and selfdoubt.

That's why the spirited redhead from Berwyn is the winner of the Party Lines-Lakeland Media Great Expectations Award for 2004.

If anyone can return Republicans to the promised land, it's Topinka. The Northwestern grad and former state senator easily captivates audiences with her infectious smile, boundless energy, spilling over self confidence and knowledge of government. She already has sparked the survival instincts of survivors of the DuPage County purge and shambles left by former Gov. George Ryan. Topinka is assembling a new GOP leadership team and it will be evident after the March 16 primary. Besides, Judy plays a mean accordion.

With an election year at hand, politicians both big and small, known and unknown, skilled or merely infused with ambition, face the next 12 months with presumption and promise, lots of the former and typically in short supply for the latter. So there will be no shortage of expectations in 2004.

Let's take a look at some of the other political aspirants considered for the Great Expectations Award for 2004.

Steve Carlson, County Board, Republican from Gurnee (Grandwood Park). Serious about a future in public office, the first term Republican is helping build a coali-



Cited for great expectations Judy Baar Topinka's future rests on 2004 election outcome.

tion that will be more spending conscious, less bureaucratic and willing to assume obligations of leadership as opposed to relying on department heads for ideas and policy decision.

Blair Hull, commodities millionaire who hopes to translate personal fortune into Democratic nomination for U.S. Senate. Looking to Republican dominated suburbs for crossover votes that gave Carole Mosely Braun an upset nomination a decade ago.

Chuck Fagan, unsuccessful candidate in 2001 for sheriff as a Democrat, looking at returning to his Republican roots for another try when Gary Del Re comes up for reelection. The Antioch police chief already has a fan club with a lively web site raising



Hull: Sees Lake County as proving ground for Senate bid.



Eckmann: Out to get votes for road funds from tax hike.

uncomfortable questions about the Del Re administration.

Jo Ann Eckmann, former mayor of Libertyville, will be returning to the public limelight by chairing the drive to get a quarter cent sales tax hike passed to raise funds for county road improvements.

Sabonjian family has son, Bob, independent thinking Democratic member of the Lake County Board positioning himself to challenge in 2005 for his late father's job as mayor of Waukegan, and daughter, Dana, a Republican, making another attempt for public office by unseating Recorder of Deeds Mary Ellen Vanderventer, a Democrat. Dana once tried and was defeated for city clerk of Waukegan.

Tom Chamberlain, Gurnee council member with a knack for making waves and headlines, is well aware there will be an election for mayor next year.

Tom Needham, ambitious and capable Waukegan alderman, is well aware there will be an election for mayor next year.

Wayne Blake, with a taste of elective office as a director of the Fox Waterway Agency, is mounting a bid for a Lake County



Carlson: Builds coalition for redirecting county board.



Fagan: Gaining support for another run for sheriff.

Board seat with a primary challenge of incumbent Judy Martini (R-Antioch). Role model is uncle Norman Geary, former County Board chairman, and 1970s and 1980s power.

#### Portrait event

The new portrait of the late Gov. William G. Stratton will be hung permanently Tuesday, Feb. 3, in the Stratton Room at the Grant Township Administrative Center. Supervisor Kay Starostovic said a brief ceremony will be part of the monthly township meeting beginning at 7 p.m. "We'll have cake and coffee to celebrate," added Starostovic.

Sal enjoys role

Wauconda Trustee Sal Saccomanno, a fiery first termer, doesn't mind being labeled the "Grinch Who Stole Christmas," after leading forces to eliminate the annual Christmas party for employees.

Enhances a reputation as the taxpayers' friend and an agent of change, he says. Actually, Mayor Jim Eschenbauch pulled the trigger to cast a tie-breaking vote when trustees deadlocked on the party ban.

#### Question of values

I'm somewhat amazed that Village of Wauconda Planning Board, village officials and other planning groups allow subdivisions to build with only one road for entrance and exit. What if a fire occurred on the entranceexit road; the fire department came and ran hoses and began putting out the fire, and in doing so, block the roadway. This stops all traffic. But, say someone in the subdivision now has a heart attack, what happens? Do they shut down the fire fighting and let the house burn so the ambulance can transport the victim to a hospital, or, does the victim wait till the fire is out? It sometimes takes seven-10 minutes or more, to stabilize a person before they are transported. When there is no second entrance-exit what happens? Does everyone say, sorry about that, but chances of that happening are, say maybe one in 10,000 or so. I guess it's OK until it happens to you or someone in your family. Then what, more legal action? And against who; the builder, the government agency; who? Doesn't that one entrance-exit also reduce

your property resale values? Did you think about that when you purchased your property? In fact, Leicht was there long before the subdivision was planned or built. Where does safety issues and concerns overtake property values?

Ken Bredemeier

#### Gleeful terrorists

Enough already—as to whether we should be in Iraq or not. As a doctor I have to make hundreds of decisions each week. Sometimes my diagnosis is not correct. Sometimes the treatment needs to be changed. Thank goodness we have a president who can make difficult decisions and can define a clear focus.

This week Libya is planning to dismantle its "weapons of mass destruction" program. Coincidence? I don't think so. Look where eight years of Democratic "I'm gonna tell your momma" diplomacy got us. A worldwide network of gleeful terrorists was set up to indiscriminately slaughter Americansmen, women, and children.

Recently two of my children crossed paths over the Pacific in 747s. One was returning from Hong Kong. The other was visiting friends in Beijing. It occurred to me afterwards that I hadn't given a second thought to terrorists. Thank you, President Bush, for getting their attention.

William C. Dam

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### Fox Lake Remember intolerance

In response to the letter you printed by Robert M. Traxler of Round Lake Beach, I wanted to say AMEN!!

I also wanted to add to his comments and to make sure that we all remember Mike Stephans name. You never know when a per-

son will decide to run for public office or seek an appointment on a committee. If and when he does this community will need to make sure he never is in a position to make decisions that affect our children or us.

I must say though, I have to give him, Mr. Stephans, some credit for letting the public know his intolerant opinions. They say that with any kind of problem or challenge that knowing is half the battle. Believe me as a taxpayer, Round Lake Beach resident and parent of children in the Grayslake School Districts I know first hand that many share his same views and some of those are in elected positions. I'd much rather know who and what you are up front then thinking you are one way only to find out when its too late that you are another. There are many closet bigots making choices and decisions that affect children in our community.

I recall a meeting I was at a few years ago, when a person I was sitting behind went on and on to their friends about how they did not understand or like that "those people in Round Lake" were going to this school district. This person now resides on a board of education (scary). Another time I was at a committee meeting for another school board when one of its board members made the public comment about how the tree line at the new high school will make it so that we "won't have to see Avon School" (Grayslake School District that houses many Round Lake Beach children). Of course, when I questioned the board member they said they meant to say that the view of Route 83 would be blocked. OK, where is the tree line, north or west?

Mike Stephans and those of his beliefs are small minded and typically very unhappy people. Let's remember his name and hope the best for him and those he may have an impact on.

Sherry Ridge Round Lake Beach

#### Where's the cash?

In the early stages of the "Licenses for Bribes" scandal, a number of arrests for possession of a fraudulent driver's license (a class IV felony), made in Lake County during the onset of the license scandal investi-

gation, were summarily dismissed or reduced to misdemeanor traffic violations in an attempted cover-up to protect George Ryan. In fact, a briefcase full of bribery cash confiscated from the Libertyville license facility was never reported as part of the socalled investigation. What happened to that wad of cash?

I hope that investigators will uncover these acts of malice and deception by elected officials in Lake County and that those officials will then also be included in the 60-plus people who have already been indicted and convicted in this horrific scandal. George Ryan's team attempted to protect themselves by trying to discredit the whistle-blowers by connecting them to a "culture of corruption," or stifle the voices of the whistle-blowers by claiming their message was libelous, slanderous and untrue. Sound familiar?

Lake County will no longer be for sale and those who have sold out the taxpayers here in Lake County will eventually "pay the piper." But perchance, should these wrongdoers in Lake County (and you know who you are) survive these current allegations, they must now know that eventually their days of deception are numbered, and they too will be exposed to the light of justice. I only hope that no more innocent lives are lost. Kyrié éleison.

Steven Skinner Round Lake

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#### COMMENTARY

that tomorrow Congress and the President can start another war if they so choose, using our children and hard earned money?

The Middle East has been unstable for thousands of years.

How can we remain strong if our community cannot receive the goods and services it needs to remain healthy and to function well, if the government is spending our greatest resources on a war economy where lives and money are being lost daily?

Congress for Peace séems to me to be a

viable solution. My husband, Bill Scheurer is running for Congress to dedicate his time to the health and well being of the community. I know from 33 years into our marriage that my husband will be there for you, to answer your questions and find solutions to meet your needs.

Editor's note: Bill Scheurer is seeking the

Democratic nomination for Congress from the

8th District. The Scheurers are residents of

Lindenhurst.

#### Oil companies face lawsuit

I'm no fan of oil companies, but the MTBE additive pollution of local wells is due to EPA mandate and the 1990 Clean Air Act. Ironic isn't it? The Environmental Protection Agency is responsible for endangering our environ-

The risks of MTBE contamination of well water have been publicized since at least 1996. Our local governments should be attacking the federal government for fixes to crises the EPA caused.

Beware of huge government agencies whose continuing bureaucratic growth depends on legislating well past the point of diminishing returns.

David Steidinger Barrington

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#### COUNTY DIGEST

#### Independent schools

North-side and north suburban parents interested in sending their children to private schools can find information on programs in 32 schools in the "Guide to Chicago Area Independent Schools," available free of charge by writing to Chicago Area Independent Schools, Box 558007, Chicago, e-mailing 60655, or harms@uchicago.edu.

#### Disaster planning grant

Gov. Blagojevich announced that Lake County will receive \$37,500 from the Illinois Emergency Management Agency to assist the county in developing a county disaster mitigation plan. The grant will help Lake County develop a mitigation plan that is compliant

with the federal Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000.

#### Political internships

Graduate students interested in careers in government or political science should consider applying for one of two government internship programs through the University of Illinois-Springfield, according to State Sen. Adeline Geo-Karis (R-Zion). The Illinois Legislative Staff Internship Program and the Graduate Public Service Internship Program are both ranked as two of Illinois' premier governmental internship programs and have received national recognition for identifying and developing government leaders. Applications for the ILSIP are due by Feb. 1, 2004. Materials can be obtained online at ilsip.uis.edu. The GPSI application deadline is March 15, and internships will begin Aug. 16. For more information or to receive an application, visit www. gpsi.uis.edu.

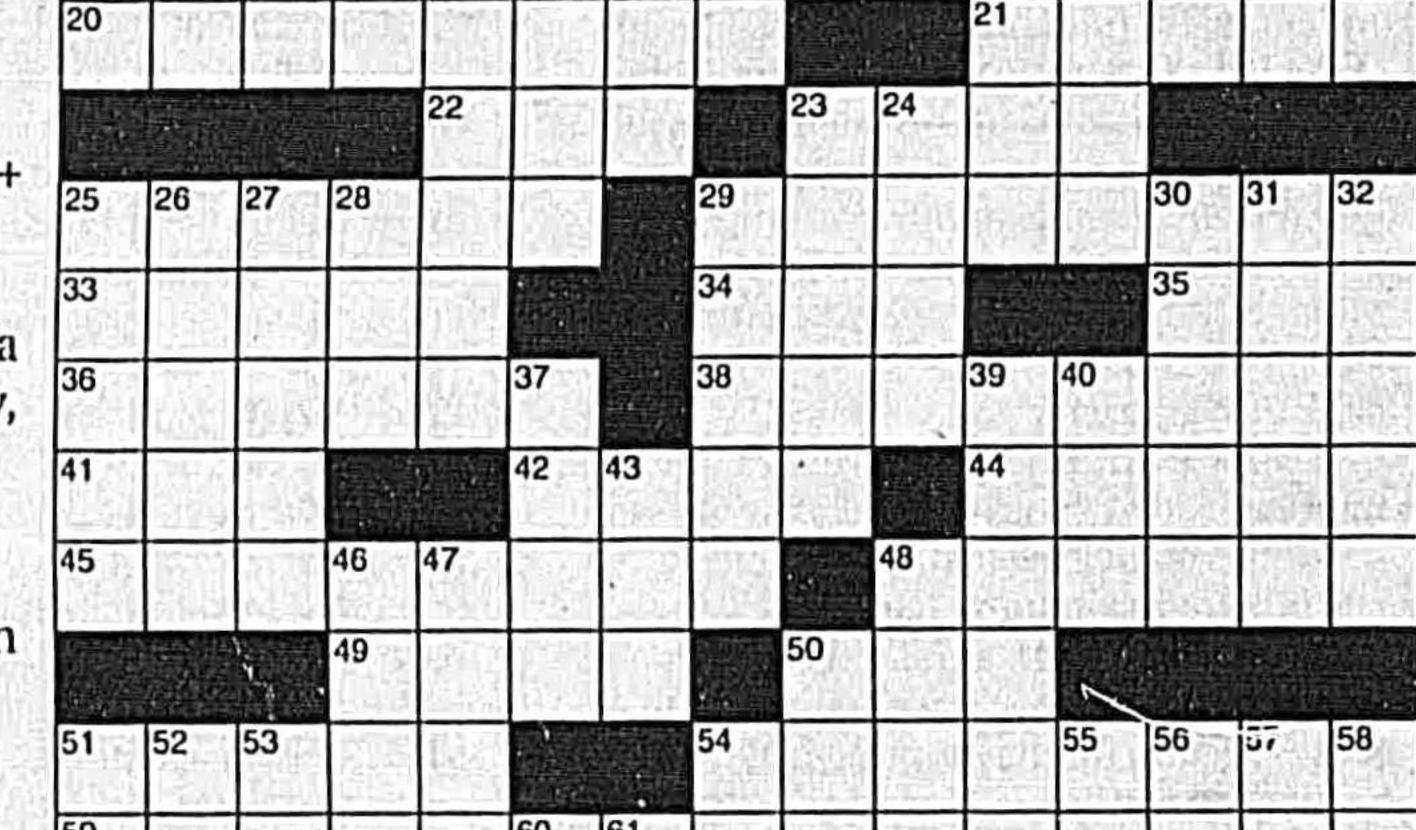
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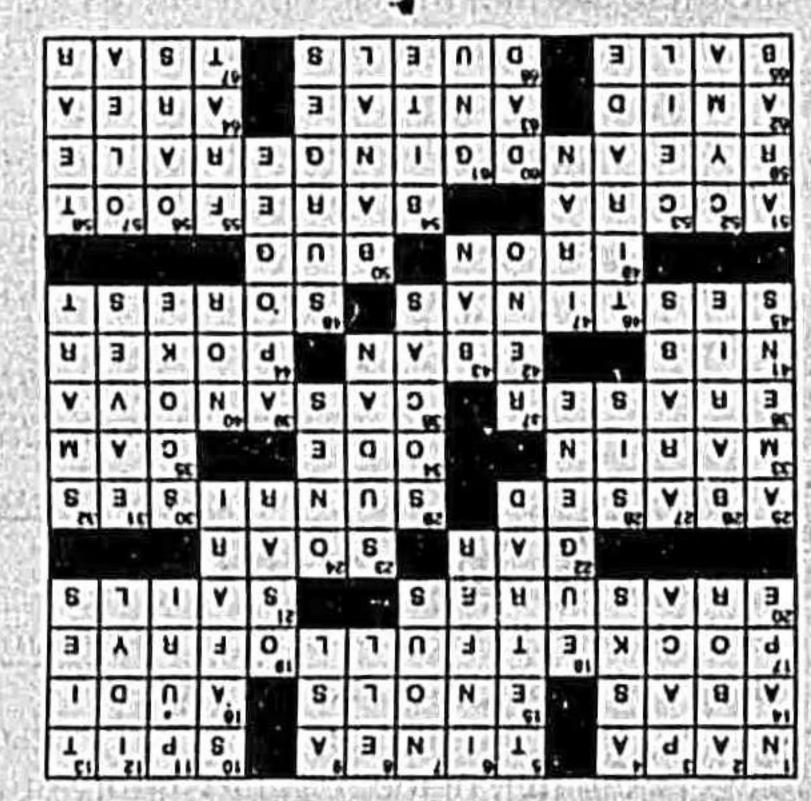
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- 8. Measuring unit
- 9. Sign language 10. Hunting expedition
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- 12. Romantic interlude 13. Drawstrings
- 18. \_\_\_O'Neill, playwright
- 19. Narrow ridges (Swedish)
- 23. Geographic region
- 24. Digits
- 25. After prayers
- 26. Pressure unit
- 27. Saddle horses



- 28. Female sibling
- 29. Soul and calypso songs
- 30. Garget
- 31. Overhang
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- 37. Gambling town 39. Final climactic stage
- 40. Neither
- 43. Order
- 46. Denunciation
- 47. Asian country
- 48. Flows
- 50. Unoriginal
- 51. Mount
- 52. Molding
- 53. Overlay with wood 54. Morsel
- 55. Community
- 56. Paddles
- 57. Shrubs having oily one-seeded fruits 58. Hurry
- 60. Father 61. Antelope

#### Answers



# HOROSCOPE

#### Aries - March 21/April 20

Don't get angry with a friend simply because he or she makes a mistake. This person doesn't mean to hurt you. Besides, it's easy for you to correct the situation. So, set things straight, and forget about it. A loved one offers you romantic advice. Take it. Sagittarius plays a key role on Tuesday.

#### Taurus - April 21/May 21

Try not to let bad news upset you early in the week. You have a lot to do, and several people are counting on you to get everything accomplished. Stay focused, and work diligently. That's how you'll get things done. A close friend needs your help with a personal problem. Do what you can for him or her.

#### Gemini - May 22/June 21

You have a hectic week ahead of you, Gemini. It's a good thing that you enjoy being busy. You're in your element this week. So, work hard, and enjoy yourself. The person whom you've been seeing wants to intensify the relationship. Say yes, because you know that this is what you want, too.

#### Cancer - June 22/July 22

Don't let work get you down this week, Cancer. It's just a job — remember that. There are more important things in your life right now. While you should work diligently, find true joy in your family and friends. That's where your contentment is. Virgo plays an important role late in the week.

#### Leo – July 23/August 23

Stand your ground when it comes to a disagreement with a loved one. He or she is trying to make you do something that you really don't believe in. Don't let this person get away with it. Follow your heart. A close friend needs a shoulder to cry on. Be there for him or her.

#### Virgo – Aug 24/Sept 22

There is a lot going on this week when it comes to your family, Virgo. Don't let this get you nervous. Your loved ones know what they are doing; let them do it. Don't give them your opinion unless it is asked for. That special someone has an important question for you. Be honest when answering him or her.

#### Libra - Sept 23/Oct 23

A loved one needs to talk to you about a personal problem. While you don't want to get involved, you must. Listen to what this person has to say, and let him or her know what you really think. Your honesty will be appreciated. Leo plays a key role.

#### Scorpio - Oct 24/Nov 22

You receive a long-awaited reward early in the week, Scorpio. Enjoy it, because you certainly deserve it. A family friend turns to you for financial advice. While you would like to help, don't. Giving your opinion only will get you into hot water. Taurus plays a key role on Tuesday.

#### Sagittarius - Nov 23/Dec 21

Control your temper when it comes to a disagreement with a business associate. Getting angry only will get you into a lot of trouble with the higher-ups. So, instead of yelling, count to 10. It will do wonders for your career. A friend of a friend reveals his or her true feelings for you. Let this person down gently.

#### Capricorn - Dec 22/Jan 20

Don't be shy when you run into an intriguing person late in the week, Capricorn. Get to know him or her better; it definitely will be worth it. This could be the one. A close friend has a surprise for you on Thursday. Be prepared for something shocking. Pisces plays an important role.

#### Aquarius - Jan 21/Feb 18

Take your time when it comes to making a business decision this week, Aquarius. A lot of people will be affected by your choice. So, do your research; don't just make a snap decision. Turn to a loved one for advice if you need it. He or she won't steer you in the wrong direction.

#### Pisces - Feb 19/March 20

While you would like to help an acquaintance in need, don't get involved in the situation. There is much more going on here than meets the eye. That special someone stops calling. Try not to be too upset, because you know that he or she wasn't the one.

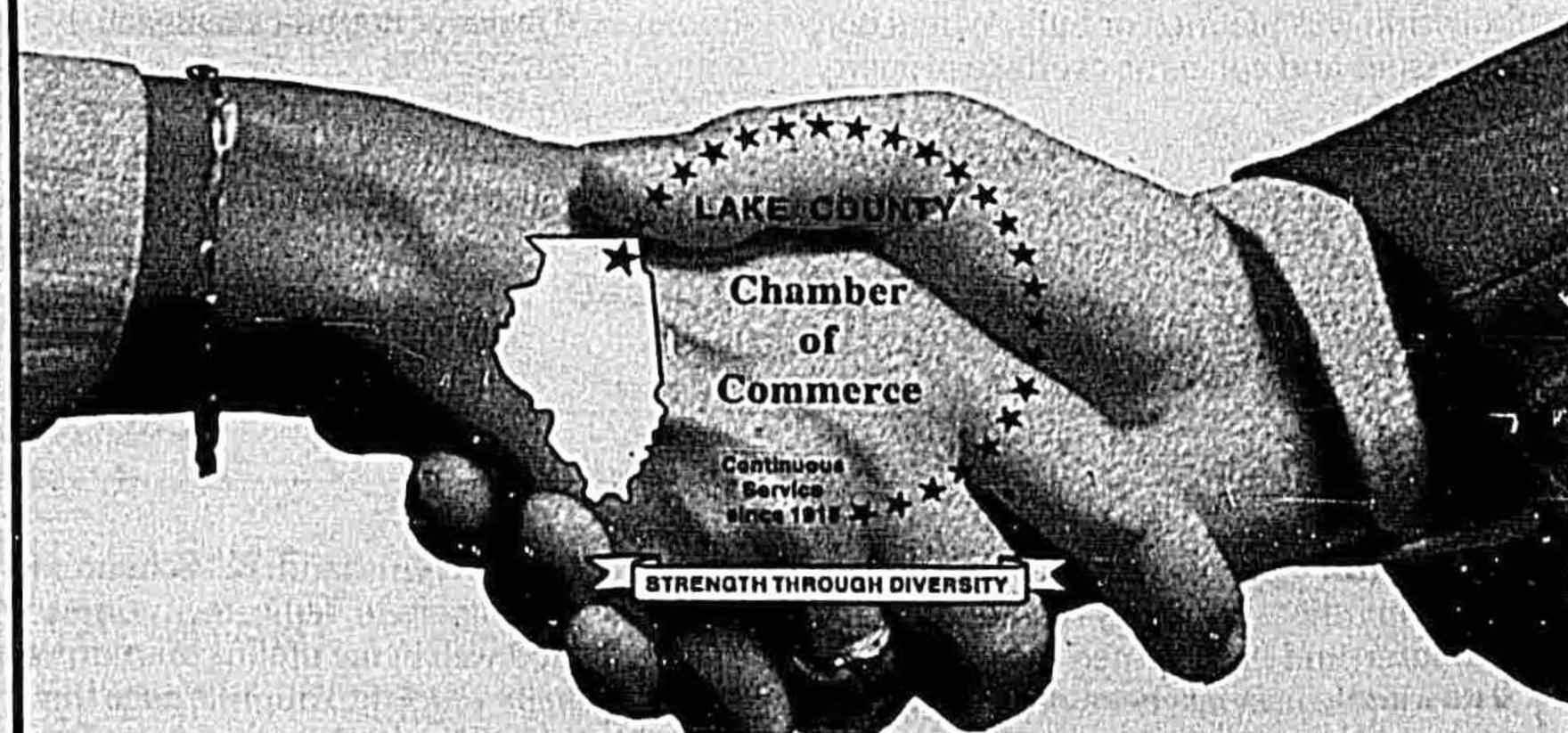
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#### COUNTY SPORTS DIGEST

GLASA offers wheelchair road racing 11-12 and 13-14. The league (age level) that a player participates in will be determined by and track clinics The Great Lakes Adaptive Sports

the player's age as of July 31, 2004. To register, a child must live in Grayslake Community High School District 127.

Registration fee is \$135 for the first child and \$110 for each additional child. Registration fee must be paid at registration.

You may download registration forms at www.gybaonline.com or complete the form at in person.

All registered players must attend one of the Player Evaluation Days scheduled on Sunday, Feb. 22 and Sunday, Feb. 28 at the College of Lake County. Times will be determined at registration. All players must register prior to evaluation.

GYBA will also be hosting the 6th annual pancake breakfast on Saturday, Feb. 14 from 7 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Grayslake Fire Station. The cost of the pancake breakfast is \$5 for adults, \$3 for children (ages 4-12) and seniors and children 3-and-under eat free. GYBA registered players also eat free.

Special prizes will be awarded during the raffle drawing. This year, the pancake fundraiser, coincides with the Downtown Grayslake Winterfest weekend.

For information on events, winter camps, etc. visit the GYBA Web site at www.gybaonline.com.

#### Gagewood Lions Baseball registration

Gagewood Lions boys baseball is taking mail-in registration for their in-house boys baseball program. The program covers boys, ages 6-14 as of August 1, 2004.

Information, costs and registration forms can be found at www.gagewoodbaseball.com. Mail completed registration forms to: Gagewood Lions Baseball, 17740 Dartmoor Drive, Grayslake, IL 60030.

#### Mundelein Little League baseball and softball registration

The Mundelein Little League will hold baseball and softball registration on January 10 and 17 from 8 a.m.-noon at Century 21

Marketplace, located on the corner of Route 176 and Lake Street in Mundelein.

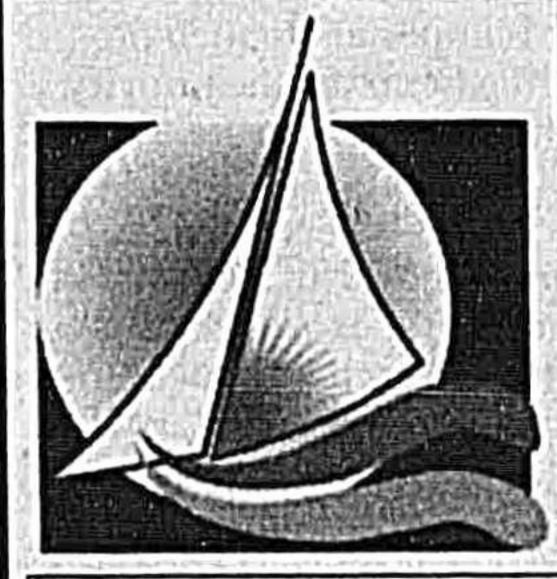
The league is open to any resident, with a birthday between August 1, 1989 and July 31, 1999, who lives within the Mundelein Little League boundaries. New members must present a birth certificate and proof of residency.



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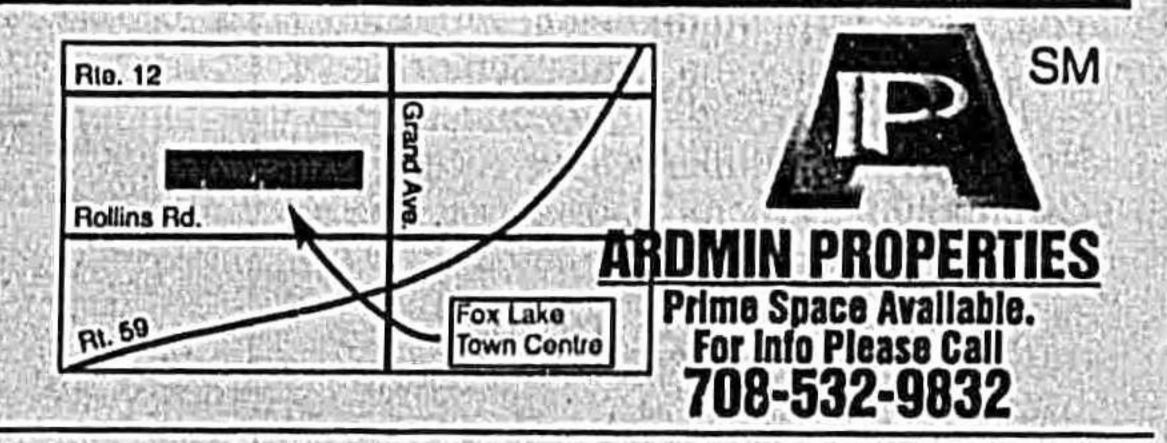


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#### LAKE FOREST HOSPITAL

#### Congregate Meals Program

Join others for low-cost, nutritional meals in the hospital cafeteria daily. A speaker or educational program of interest accompanies one meal each month. Reservations are not necessary. For more information, call 847-535-6176. Date: Thursday, Jan. 15; Time: 4 -6:30 p.m.

#### CPR: Save a Life

Learn infant, child and adult CPR through the American Heart Association's Pediatric and Heartsaver course. Participants receive first aid instruction for choking, as well as information about heart disease, causes and prevention of injury, and cardiopulmonary arrest in children. This is a one-day course. Date: Saturday, Jan. 10. Time: 9a.m.- 1 p.m.

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#### VISTA HEALTH

#### Vista Health's Senior Spirit sets luncheon schedule

Vista Health will again present its series of Senior Spirit luncheons in 2003. The lowcost events include a buffet lunch with beverage and an informational speaker. Cost is just \$2 for members of Senior Spirit and \$3 for non-members. Members must show their cards at the door. Reservations will be taken up to five days before each event. To make a reservation, call 1-800-843-2464. This month, the Senior Spirit luncheon is: December 16, Victory Memorial Hospital Same Day Surgery Conference Room, Waukegan. Topic will be "Handling Grief at the Holldays".

#### LAKE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER

#### Crisis Counseling Available

The Lake County Health Department and Community Health Center offers walk-in and telephone crisis counseling and referrals for Lake County residents experiencing emotional stress. This is a service of the Crisis Care Program, 3002 Grand Ave., Waukegan. Counselors are available 24 hours a day. For assistance, call 847-377-8088. (A TDD, hearing impaired phone line is also available at 847-360-2905.)

#### CONDELL MEDICAL CENTER

#### Childbirth education classes

The childbirth education classes at Condell Medical Center, 801 S. Milwaukee Ave., Libertyville, will enhance and complement your doctor's advice. Taught by trained, certified instructors, these classes provide understanding, support and information that will take the expectant couple from pregnancy through the postpartum period, and help them to adjust to the changes that having a baby brings. Classes cover a variety of subjects including Pondering Pregnancy, Early Pregnancy, Childbirth Refresher, Infant Development, Grandparents Class, Basically Breastfeeding, Breast-feeding and Working and Caring for Baby. Call 847-990-5407, or in Spanish: 847-990-1289.

#### Adult fitness classes

Centre Club hosts Adult Fitness Classes from 8:45 - 9:45 a.m. each Monday, Wednesday and Friday at Prairie View Park Building, 16652 Port Clinton Road., Vernon Township. This class is the former Senior Fitness class that was held at the Condell Acute Care Center in Buffalo Grove. A certified Centre Club instructor leads exercises to music from the 1940s, '50s and '60s. The cost is \$3 per class. The first class is free. Call Centre Club, 847-990-5742 or Vernon Township, 847-634-4600.

# HRAINHWAICH

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January 2, 2004

# New Years resolution: let's all teach our kids good manners

ello readers and a healthy, hearty, happy holidays to everyone. I had an experience this week which, I thought, made a great 'New Year's resolution' column for parents. Now, I know this won't be applicable to all of you, but some of you will read this and think of a time this happened to you. Maybe with a few changes, we can make a big difference for all

My family went to the show this last week. Unfortunately, from the moment we got there, I was reminded of exactly why I do not like going to the show. While I love being with my family, it was excruciatingly crowded, the organization of lines for people to stand in was badly managed and I don't even want to know what the substance I was sitting on was. My parents assured me someone spilled their pop on the chair. Of course, my little sister of 35 years old now, but still my 'little' sister, boldly pointed out, while giggling, that she thought some kid couldn't hold it. We never miss a chance to get a laugh in our family!

Anyway, a family sat down behind my sister. Two parents and two boys. The boys were about 12 and 10 or so. From the moment the boys sat down, they were putting the bottom of their shoes on the rim of the top back of my sister's chair right on her hair. They were kicking her chair on a chronic basis. Both parents were clearly in view of this behavior that their kids were participating in and didn't raise one comment about it. Now, just so you understand, the boys were not being malicious. They were impatient and had obviously been dragged



## PARENT'S PLACE

Dr. Sherri Singer

to the movie against their collective wills. My sister finally had enough and turned around and politely asked them to stop kicking her chair. Their response was to do it more, again with parents watching and not stopping the behavior. The high point of the evening was at the end of the movie. When the lights came up and my sister had been kicked for 2 hours and 15 minutes straight, these haughty parents had the nerve to give my sister a dirty look.

I will tell you that this type of parental neglect of stopping bad behavior in kids is one of the reasons we have such rampant misbehavior out there all the time. I hear it every day. Parents ask me why so many kids are misbehaving in their kids' classes. We have heard about behavior problems at epidemic proportions. I see it too. The answer to this is as simple as it gets: teach your kids good manners from the start. You see, good manners are a way that we show others that we care about them. It is good will and it is sorely needed in our society today. After you teach good manners, you must enforce them. If disrespectful behavior is going on, especially right in from af your eyes, put a stop to it. Do not allow your child to keep bothering someone else just because this is

YOUR child. Allowing the behavior to continue is unfair to the other person and produces a bloated sense of self in the child. A faulty image that he or she is allowed to do anything, anytime, anywhere, no matter how it effects others. Enforcing it is important in cementing it. If those kids were my kids, I would have told them that for each time a foot touched the chair, it was another day grounded for that kid. You watch how fast that kid learns to not hurt someone else that way.

Good manners are an imperative things for kids to have. It is important to their present and future and parents are the primary teachers. So, for those of you who are teaching your kids how to be respectful, mannerly and how to watch out for others, good for you. For those of you who are not, make it a New Year's resolution to start as soon as possible. You will be very pleased with the results even decades from now!

Have a happy and safe New Year. See you in 2004! Dr. Singer is a Psychologist who regularly works in person with readers of this column improving kids 'attention, behavior, processing and learning skills fast. She has been an ADD Coach to many kids on meds and has also trained the skills of many other labeled kids who are not on medication to take them to attention, behavior and learning heights their parents never dreamed they were capable of. Dr. Singer is starting maternity leave in March and is taking only 3 more kids for the attention/behavior improvement program before the beginning of January. For an 5644. Dr. Singer's Office is well in Grayslake.

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To help patients get the information they need to control their risk factors for stroke, the National Stroke Association has launched the Ask Your Doctor education campaign, urging you to ask your doctor

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#### 2. How do I lower my risk for stroke?

Address the risk factors you can control. Know your blood pressure, and work with your doctor to keep it under control. If you smoke, stop. If you drink alcohol, do so in moderation. Know your cholesterol, and if it is high, ask your doctor for advice on low-

> ering it. If you have diabetes, follow your doctor's recommendations carefully to control your condition. Include exercise in your daily routine; a brisk walk, swim or other activity for as little as 30 minutes a day can improve your health in many ways. Cut down on sodium and fat in your diet. Finally, ask your doctor if you have circulation prob-

#### 3. What if I have a stroke?

If you have a stroke, seek immediate medical attention — stroke is an emergency. Learn to recognize stroke symptoms. Common symptoms include: sudden numbness or weakness of the face, arm or leg -especially on one side of the body; sudden confusion, trouble speaking or understanding; sudden trouble seeing in one or both eyes; sudden

trouble walking, dizziness, loss of balance or coordination; and sudden severe headache with no known cause. Call 911 if you see or have any of these symptoms. Treatment can be more effective if given promptly — every minute counts.

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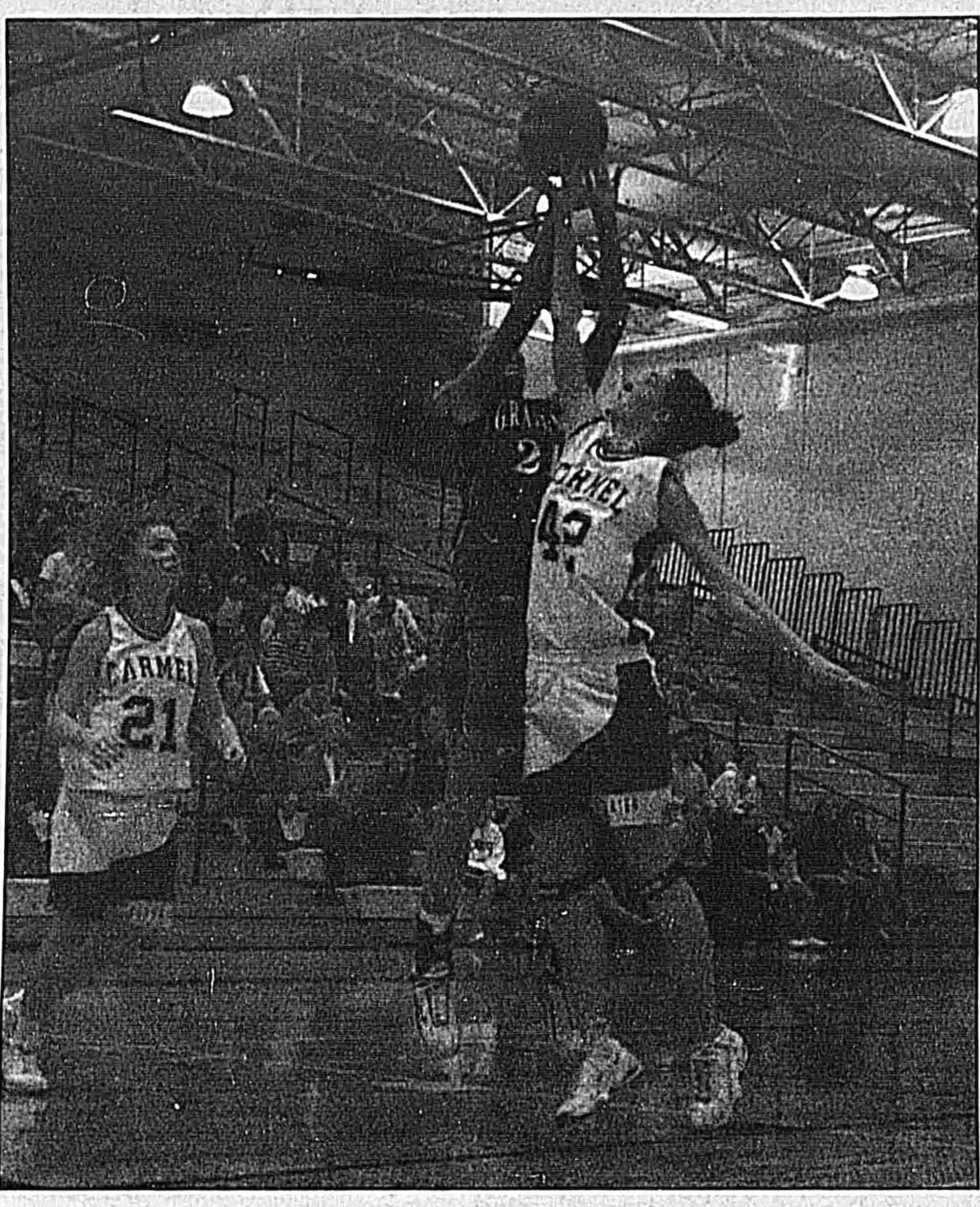
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# Corsairs take title at Blue Devil Classic



Carmel's Jill Scudder goes for the block against Grayslake's Rachael Manuel in the Corsairs' 58-55 win over the Rams in the opening game of the Warren Holiday Tourney. Carmel won the tourney, going unbeaten.—File Photo by Sandy Bressner

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By STEVE PETERSON speterson@lakelandmedia.com

With 11 wins in its first 13 games, Carmel's girls basketball team has played complete games, from start to finish.

Especially, that is, the start. Lake Forest became one of the five teams to fall victim to Carmel at the Warren Blue Devil Classic. Stifling defense and balanced scoring led Carmel to a 33-15 halftime lead en route to a 56-32 win at the Warren Christmas Tournament.

"The game plan was to take Kristin Cartwright (Lake Forest's star) out of the game and we did that. We like to jump out to big leads. It is important to come out fast. It can demoralize the other team," said CHS senior Jenny Eckhart.

The Corsairs were in the drivers' seat for the tourney title with a 3-0 record. The five games, including one day with an exhausting doubleheader against Warren and Grayslake, were a good primer for the squad.

Carmel swept Waukegan and Deerfield the final two games for a perfect 5-0 record and the tourney championship. CHS is 13-2 heading into the 2004 portion of their schedule. Carmel hosts Queen of Peace at 2:30 p.m.

Four Carmel players made all-tourney honors. They were Eckhart, Caitlin Krombach, Becky Smith and Teresa Ogrinc.

Carmel beat Waukegan 65-30. Kendall Brown led the way with 15 points. Smith, Krombach and Megan Duffy each tallied

"Our goals this year center around the conference and the state tournament. This tournament is good for us because there are a lot of games in a short amount of time," Carmel coach John Ryan said.

"Our emphasis this year has been on defense. We have been able to execute constant pressure in an intelligent way and that limits the opposition's shots," Ryan

Carmel had a balanced attack against the Scouts, led by Eckhart's 16 points. Caitlyn Krombach had eight, Teresa Ogrinc had eight, Jill Scudder and Bridget Ronayne seven and Keli Coleman five.

"Coleman comes in and does anything we ask her to do. She is a blue collar, aggressive player who can shoot. She did a great job," Ryan said of Coleman, a 5-foot, 11-inch junior forward.

Carmel kept the pressure on in the third quarter against Lake Forest, upping its lead to 44-21 on a three-point basket by Eckhart.

Also making all-tourney from the area, in addition to the champion Carmel players, were: Kayla Ming and Bethany Russ from Grayslake and T.K. LaFleur and Alexandra Leach from Warren. Warren and Grayslake were 3-2 behind Carmel's 5-0.

# Carmel picks up 1st win of season

By STEVE PETERSON speterson@lakelandmedia.com

Just because it says "consolation" on the bracket does not mean that the boys basketball game cannot be exciting.

Carmel and Vernon Hills proved that point as Carmel survived with a 59-55 overtime win at Wheeling. The win was Carmel's first of the season, snapping a 13-game losing streak.

Jack Simmons scored 20 points, including two three-pointers, and had six rebounds as Carmel held off the Cougars. The win gives Carmel bragging rights, denying Carmel its first win in its second year at Wheeling.

Steve Radojevic scored again in the 20point plus bracket with 22 and Dan Fitzpatrick netted 16. It was Fitzpatrick's trey despite an in-your-face defense that tied the game at 51all, sending it to overtime.

"We have a lot of football players on the team and it takes a while to get into basketball shape. Football shape and basketball shape are definitely two different things," Simmons

Simmons grabbed two key defensive rebounds to keep the momentum going after Carmel's Joe Parisi (11 points hit a trey for a 54-53 Carmel lead with three minutes left. "It was a surprise that he banked it. But we'll take it," Carmel coach Joe Molloy said.

It was an answer to Fitzpatrick's trey from the wing with 14 seconds left in regulation.

"Curtis Robinson was there, with his hands up, but the kid hit a real tough shot," Molloy said.

Carmel's strategy going into the extra four minutes?

"It is tough because when you are protecting a lead, you play a little differently. Now, you have to just go out and attack," Molloy

Vernon Hills had its moments, too. The Cougars used a 16-9 run in the second quarter to offset a 19-7 Carmel lead. Vernon Hills caught Carmel at 30-30 on a lay-up by Fitzpatrick after a trey by Radojevic. Radojevic hit another trey for the Cougars' first lead, 36-

Sean Murnane and Simmons led the Corsairs with six rebounds each. Sophomore Bob Coy had 11 for the Cougars to go along with seven points. Casey Fijalkowski had eight points with two three-pointers. Vernon made 7-for-19 treys, 48.8 percent, while Carmel shot 46.5 percent. Carmel won the rebounding battle, 22-20.

Simmons had 11 points in a 53-47 Carmel loss to Prospect in the first round. Propect led 31-22 at halftime and held off CHS. Carmel shot 37.5 percent for the game, compared to 44 percent for Prospect.

Like the Vernon Hills game, Carmel found itself in another nail-biter but lost 46-45 to Wheeling, Murnane scored 12 points and Simmons tallied a season-high 24 points in a 68-55 loss to St. Viator for a 1-3 tourney record.

## Lawlor, Rutledge lead Carmel grapplers

By STEVE PETERSON

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Jaran Rutledge and Jack Lawlor are the senior leaders for Carmel High's wrestling team so far this season.

Both have posted 8-1 records at 215 and heavyweight, respectively. Rutledge is a twotime sectional qualifier who would like to make the next level of the state tournament. Lawlor, like Rutledge, was an East Suburban Conference champion last year.

"The seniors are getting the pins so far," said CHS coach Joe Scordino.

Carmel was 3-3 in dual meets before its traditional New Year's Eve, eight-team meet. Carmel beat Lake Forest 40-28 but lost to Mundelein 53-12 and Wheeling 60-15 in a triple dual on Dec. 23.

"We're hanging in there. We have been hit

hard by the flu," Scordino said.

In addition to the aforementioned 8-1 seniors, several other Corsairs have winning records.

These include junior Bernie Vazquez, 6-4 at 189; senior Joe Samudovsky, 6-5 at 130; junior Mike Berrones is 5-5 at 135; freshman D.J. Fairfield is 6-3 at 103.

Carmel QB hero John Solan, a junior, was hoping to see his first competition at the CHS New Year's Eve tourney at 171. "He's trying, but he needs experience," Scordino said.

Mundelein dominated Carmel in the quad. Lawlor did win by fall at heavyweight. Lawlor also won by a fall against Wheeling, in 1:56. Rutledge and Lawlor won in quick fashion against Lake Foresrt, in 50 and 24 seconds, respectively. Vazquez also won by fall.

Carmel and Vernon Hills travel to Maine East for a meet Jan. 3.



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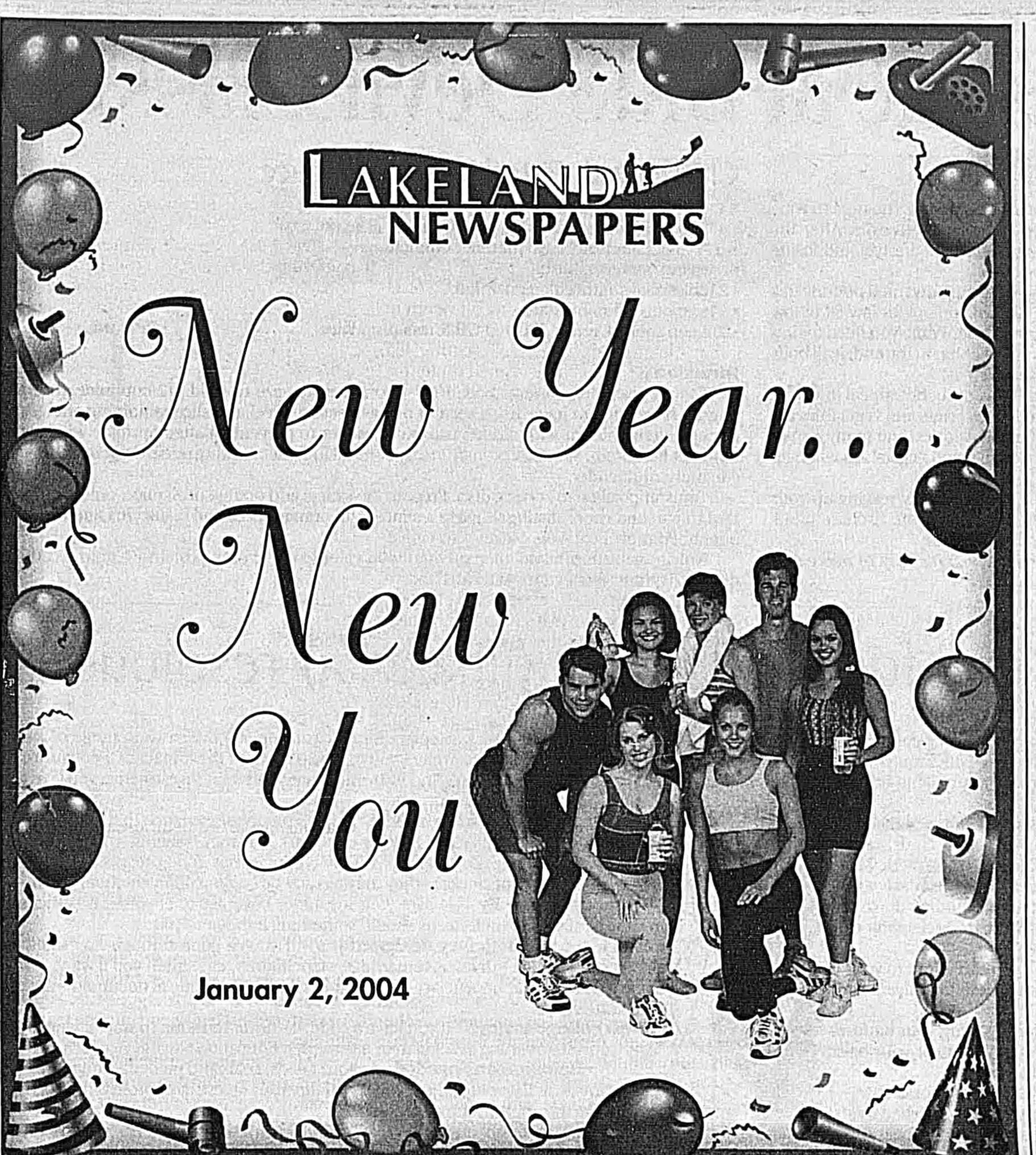
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# How to make a New Years resolution stick

At the beginning of each year so many of us commit to changes and worthy goals to be accomplished in the next twelve months only to be disappointed come next December 31 when we discover we are no closer to achieving those resolutions than we were on January 1.

The noble resolutions we made early-on became unstuck. Here are four useful suggestions to increase the probability that your New Year's resolutions will stick this year.

1. Quantify it. Sometimes we are just too vague about what we want. Therefore, a resolution such as, "I want to lose weight this year" will probably fail. It is too vague. How much weight?

Be specific. What would your ideal weight be, less what do you weigh now, is what you are going after. It is not enough to resolve that, "I want enough money in the bank this year".

Quantify. What specific amount would soothe your soul? 2. Set a deadline. Resolutions that are to be achieved "as soon as possible" wind up in the heap of "Someday I'll". Deadlines are commitments. Without a deadline as a selfimposed pressure point, getting started is easily postponed. You see, deadlines put us on the line and define when failure occurs. Deadlines also help us to break the resolution down into little bite-sized pieces. For example, if your goal is to lose 25 pounds by June 30, that translates into approximately 4 pounds per month, one pound per week, or a daily reduction of caloric intake (or an increase in daily caloric burn) of just 500 calories per day. Now that's manageable. 500 calories a day is easy to achieve. 25 pounds seems like a leap across the Grand Canyon. Until we quantify our goal, set a deadline, then break it down to its daily requirements, the resolution will forever seem unattainable.

3. Change one or two things at a time. We generally do not like change in the first place. We seek the familiar and avoid the strange. The more change you put yourself through, the higher the probability your campaign will collapse. Focus in on one or two of the more important resolutions you seek to accomplish this year. When you achieve one or the other, start on the next one. Don't overwhelm yourself with too much change all at

4. Be realistic. There's just something about the start of a new year that gets us all wound up for changes in our lives, sometimes extraordinary and unrealistic changes. We become much like the child in the candy store whose eyes are bigger than his stomach. Be realistic. You can only accomplish a certain amount within a period of time. — By Dr. Donald E. Wetmore

Are you sick of being overweight? Did you make another New Year's resolution to slim down? If it's finally time, this is the place.

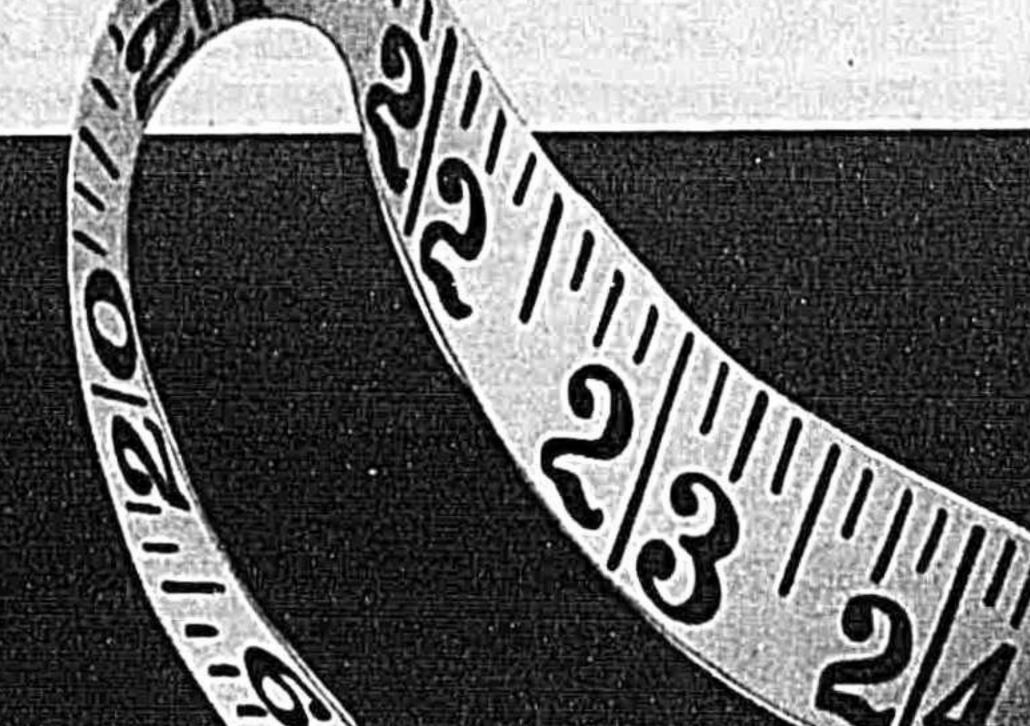
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# Healthy eating starts the New Year off right

ust about everyone succumbs to the lure of New Year's resolutions. The urge to wipe the slate clean, start fresh, make positive changes are great motivators. After the overindulging that accompanies the holidays, living a healthier lifestyle and losing weight are two of the most popular resolutions.

If you're one of the many who have resolved to shed some unwanted pounds this year, you have no shortage of diets to choose from. Should you opt for low fat or low carb? Atkins or South Beach? Weight Watchers or Jenny Craig? While you need to find a plan that's right, keep in mind that nutrition experts agree that in the end, it all boils down to the right combination of calories and physical activity.

If it's easier for you to give up pasta and bread, the low-carb diets probably appeal to you. If you'd rather keep the carbs and cut the fat, find a low-fat plan to follow. Fruits and vegetables are an important part of any healthy diet. They're naturally low in fat and calories, and many also fit into low carbohydrate plans. Eating your "five a day" servings of fruits and vegetables will help fill you up without adding extra calories to your menu.

Eating better is a great start, but don't forget to add exercise to the mix. By revving up your metabolism, regular physical activity can help you lose weight and keep it off. Exercise offers other benefits as well, such as reducing stress and keeping your heart healthy.

Here is a simple, tasty chicken dish to add to your healthy recipe box; it's easy to make and includes lean protein as well as vitamin C.

#### Chicken with Pistachio Orange Sauce

- 4 large juicy oranges (1 1/2 to 2 pounds)
- 4 halves (5 ounces each) boned, skinned chicken breasts
- 1/4 to 1/2 teaspoon black pepper; salt optional
- 2 teaspoons vegetable oil
- 2 tablespoons minced green onion
- 1 teaspoon Dijon mustard
- 1/4 cup shelled, roasted/salted California pistachios

#### Directions:

Grate 2 teaspoons orange peel. Halve 1 orange; squeeze to yield 1/2 cup juice. (If orange doesn't have enough juice, use a second one as needed.) Peel and slice remaining oranges; set aside. Flatten chicken with mallet; use waxed paper to prevent splatter. Sprinkle with pepper (and salt if desired). Sauté chicken in 2 teaspoons oil in skillet; turning once. Cook until done but still moist and tender.

Transfer chicken to serving dish. Prepare the sauce: add orange peel, juice, onion and mustard to pan and cook, stirring to make a sauce. Add orange slices and pistachios and heat thoroughly. Pour over chicken. Makes 4 servings.

Nutritional information (per serving): 400 calories; 34 grams protein 24 grams carbohydrates; 20 grams fat; 5 grams saturated fat.

# Financial Focus Time for New Year's (financial) resolutions

Now that it's the beginning of 2004, it's time to make some New Year's resolutions. What are yours? Lose weight? Volunteer more? Quit smoking? Spend more time with family?

don't forget financial resolutions. Here are some to think about:

• Cut the debt load - If you feel overburdened by debt, you're not alone. At the beginning of 2003, American households owed, on average, nearly \$9,000 on all credit cards, according to Cardweb.com, a web site that provides credit card information to consumers. This figure is up 173 percent over the past decade. You'll find it very hard to achieve your financial goals if you're overburdened by debt. Set a realistic goal for whittling down the amount you owe. And avoid taking on unnecessary new debts through more credit card purchases.

•Increase your retirement savings - Put in as much as you can afford to your IRA and your 401(k) or other employer-sponsored retirement plan. These tax-advantaged < accounts are great ways to help boost your retirement savings.

 Put bonuses and salary increases to work - Consider investing your bonuses and salary increases. If you don't really need the additional money to meet your basic needs, you can put it to work helping you build your investment portfolio.

•Avoid tapping into your investments - Try to build an "emergency" cash cushion of about three to six months' worth of living expenses. Once you've established this 4000 fund, you won't need to tap into your investments to pay for major car repairs, new appliances or any other unexpected costs. And by letting your investments have the opportunity to grow as long as possible, you can accelerate your progress toward your long-term financial goals.

• Diversify your portfolio - By spreading out your dollars over a wide range of assets stocks, bonds, government securities, etc. - you can help cushion the impact of a downturn that All these are worthwhile goals. But, while you're in the resolution-making frame of mind, one particular area. And by owning many different investments, you give yourself a better chance to succeed.

> • Keep emotions out of investing - There's plenty of evidence that fear and greed drive the market. Don't be ruled by your emotions. If a stock is falling, you don't have to join the selling stampede - especially if the company has good prospects. Conversely, don't chase after "hot stocks" - they may already be cooling off by the time you buy. • Protect your family - Go over your insurance coverage to ensure it is sufficient to

help your family meet their needs should something happen to you.

· Check your beneficiary designations - If you've gone through any significant changes in your life - divorce, remarriage, stepchildren, etc. - then you'll want to make absolutely sure your beneficiary designations on all your financial documents are up to date and correct.

• Boost college savings - If you have a child, it's never too soon to start saving for college. Consider opening a 529 plan or a Coverdell Education Savings Account.

• Rebalance as needed - As your needs, goals and personal situation evolve over time, you'll want to adjust your portfolio. Your investment professional can help you make the appropriate changes.

By following through on these resolutions, you can make geat strides toward improving your financial situation in 2004 - and in all the years to follow. — by Robert Wickenkamp, Edward Jones.



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Harrell says setting a specific goal allows the individual to focus on training and drives motivation to exercise. "It's a lot easier to make it to the finish line if you have the goal in sight," adds Harrell.

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e ch in members and non-members alike, who are seeking to set and achieve their fitness goals. At any point in time, thousands of amateur athletes from across the country and around the world are in training for these events.

Perhaps the most significant upcoming event is the 2004 Life Time Fitness Triathlon. scheduled to take place Saturday, July 17, 2004, in Minneapolis, Minn. The world-class event will feature same day network television coverage, the sport's largest prize purse and an exciting field of the best professional triathletes from around the world. What's more, some

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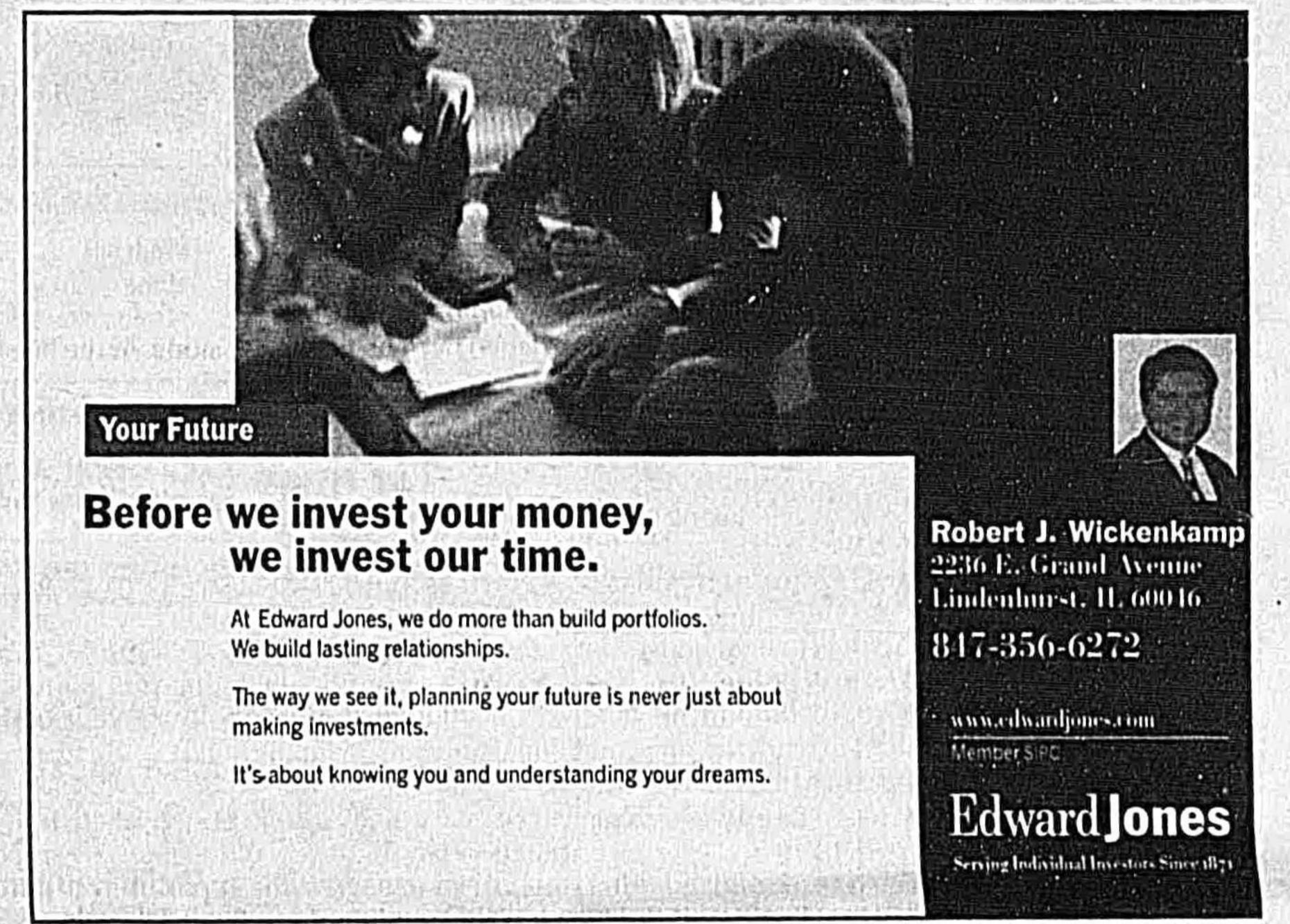
bike, run and transition skills and benefit from the opportunity to consult with a triathlon coach.

But, if a triathlon seems a bit too daunting, plenty of other similar goals are well within your reach. For example, consider running in your first five or ten kilometer race. Life Time Fitness offers 5k Reindeer Run events in several markets nationwide. The company also sponsors the Life Time

Fitness Desert Dash, an annual adventure race in Nevada, for those seeking even more thrilling fitness challenges.

What's important is less about the specific event, but rather, taking advantage of an event to help you maintain your health, fitness and nutrition program. So, take the initiative to find an athletic event that sounds fun and challenging. Then, set your fitness goals and come up with a plan for achieving them. It's never too late to pursue a healthy way of life.





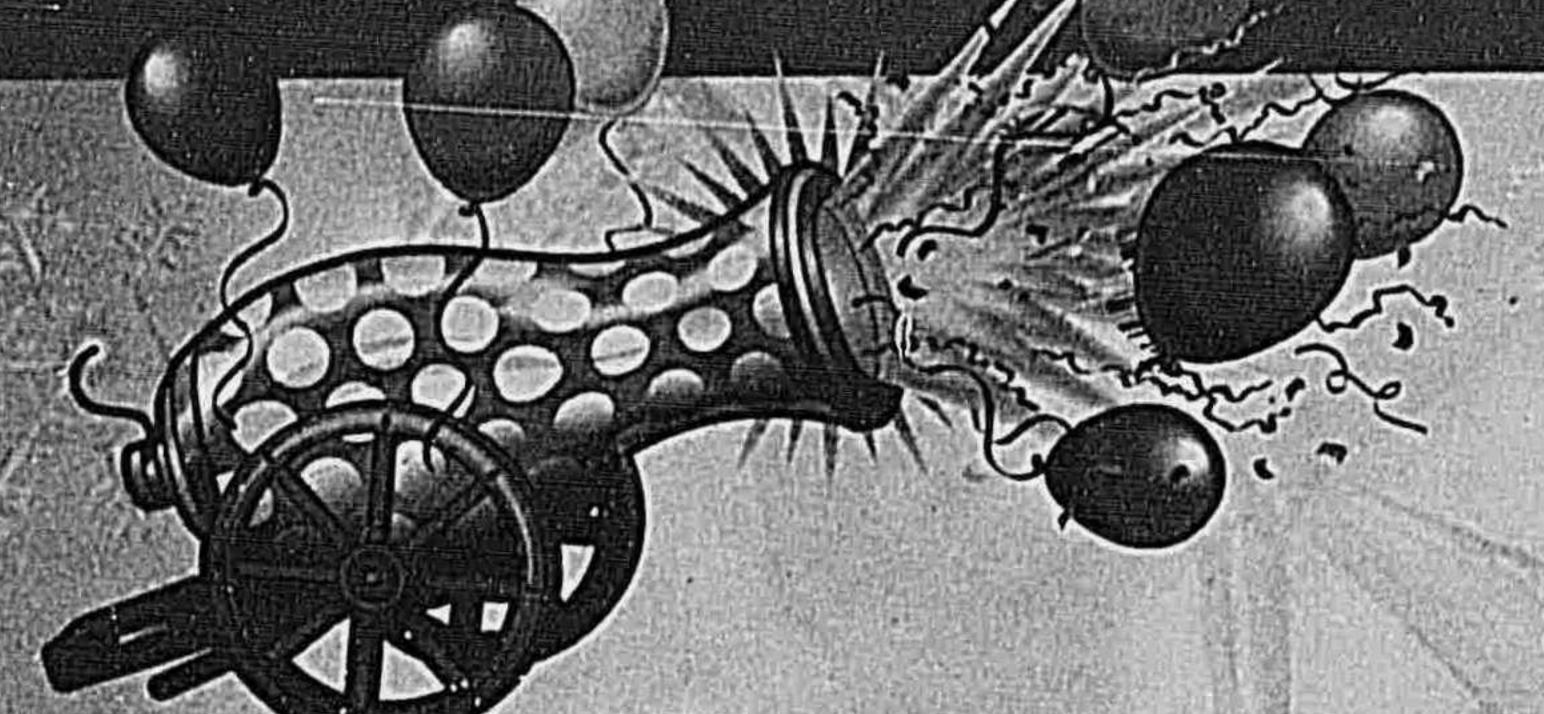


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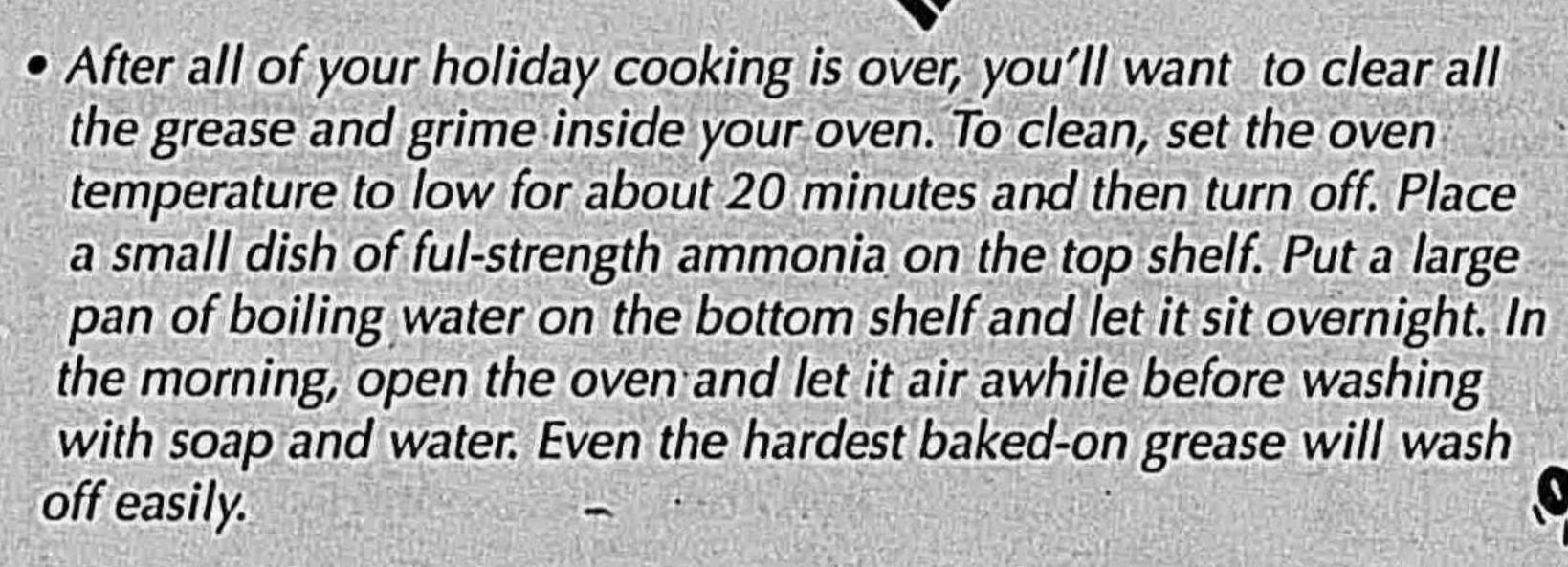
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#### Isabelle 'Izzy' Williams (nee Props)

January 2, 2004

Age 85 of Wauconda for 57 years, died Thursday, Dec. 25, 2003 at the Meriter Hospital in Madison, Wis. She was born March 3, 1918 in Indiana. Isabelle was a member of the American Legion Post 911 Auxiliary, Volo Homemakers, and a former member of the Lake County Republican Women. She was a volunteer for many years at the Wauconda Healthcare Centre and Meals on Wheels.

Isabelle ("Izzy") was the beloved wife of the late Jack; loving mother of Sheree (John) Powless; cherished grandmother of Jason (Laura Jeanne) Powless and fond great grandmother of Jackson and Cecil.

The funeral and interment were private. Arrangements were handled by the Kisselburg-Wauconda Funeral Home in Wauconda.

Mary E. Sanchez

Age 83 of McHenry, passed away Friday, Dec. 26, 2003 at the Northern Illinois Medical Center in McHenry. She was born Dec. 29, 1919 in Cicero and had lived in Zion, Waukegan, Gurnee and Antioch, before moving to McHenry. Mary was an avid Animal Rights Activist and lover of all animals and an avid Chicago Cubs and Bear fan. She was the past president of the Spalding School PTA for 10 years and a former member of the First Presbyterian Church in Waukegan. Mary worked in Waukegan as a realtor for Danny Knox and Arthur M. Sanchez, the Heins-Globe Department Store in sales and during WWII, for Johnson Motors, where she met her husband, Arthur. On Nov. 24, 1937, she married Arthur Sanchez in Kentland, Ind. and he preceded her in death on Dec. 12, 1980.

Survivors are her children, Arthur (Judy) Sanchez of Trevor, Wis., Larry (Sue) Sanchez of Fairland, Ind., Victoria (Scott) Johnson of Trevor, Wis. and Susan Sanchez of Bradenton, Fla.; 11 grandchildren, Julie, Laurie, Cheryl, Steven, Don, Dennis, Nina, Larry Jr., Erika, Arthur and Rodney and 25 great grandchildren. Also survived by nieces and nephews, Gloria Cervantes, Gary, Barbara, Joyce and Paul Due and her dear friends, Mary Crowder, Bunny Zaben and Betty Bala. In addition to her husband, she is preceded in death by her parents, Harry and Reba Everson; her brother, Eugene Due; her grandson Raymond Sanchez and her great grandson, Jake Michaud; her uncle, Robert (Freda) Burkett and her uncle and aunt Jack and Anna Taylor; her sisters-in-law, Belle Due and Rita Castro; her dear friends, Pete and Joyce Lukas, Walter Crowder, Ken and Elaine Johns and Earl and Es Sherer.

Funeral Services were held at 11 a.m., Dec. 30 at the Strang Funeral Home of Antioch. Interment was in Pineview Cemetery in Beach Park. Visitation was from 10 a.m. until the time of services. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the family.

#### Kenneth A. Potter

Age 85, a lifelong resident of Wauconda, died Dec. 22, 2003 at Pleasant View Lodge in Indianapolis, Ind. Born June 19, 1918. He was a former mayor of Wauconda and served from 1969-1973. Kenneth was the owner of the popular Dog 'N Suds restaurant in Wauconda from 1965-1986. He was the former owner of O.W. Potter Construction Company for many years. Kenneth and his wife enjoyed winters fishing in Lake Okeechobee, Fla.

Beloved husband of the late Merry, loving father of Patricia Frederick of Indianapolis, Ind. and Leigh Wessel of Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; proud grandfather of Terry Gray and Tammy Gray-Johnson; great grandfather of Amber Gray; dear brother of Arnold Potter of Wauconda. Besides his wife, he is preceded in death by his brother, Melvin Potter.

A Memorial Service will be held in Wauconda at a later date. Memorials may be made to the Orphans of the Storm Animal Shelter, 2200 Riverwoods Road, Deerfield, IL., 60015. Cremation Society of Illinois handled the arrangements.

#### Barbara Frances Tsioutsias (nee Tabert)

Age 69 of Lilac Apts. In Fox Lake for the past two years and a former 28 year resident of Duck Lake Woods and Oak Park, died Dec. 24, 2003 in Libertyville. She was born on June 4, 1934 to Maximillion and Frances (Mikolajczak) Tabert, and was united in marriage to Christ Tsioutsias. Along with her husband she owned and operated Universal Heating for over 34 years in Chicago, and Ingleside areas. Together they co-managed the Holiday Park Ski area. She was a former member of the Wilmot Ski School in Wilmot, the Professional Ski Instructors of America, and the National Ski Patrol and held the position of National Patrolwomen. She had also been employed at the Ace Hardware Store in Round Lake for nine years in the paint and housewares departments. She had played the organ at Andrea's Steak House in Richmond, and at the Black Bear in Ingleside and had enjoyed dancing, and playing cards.

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Survivors include her son, Drake (Sheila) Tsioutsias of Virginia Beach, Va.; her daughter, Lynne Louise (Michael) Rassano of Aurora; grandchildren, Rhonda McNear of Waukegan, Christina, and Rebecca; a brother, Leonard (Lottie) Tabert of Chicago; a sister, Marie (Swede) Anderson of Deland, Fla.; a brother-in-law, Les Toffoletto of Tennessee and by her dear friend Burt Pillnik and other relatives. She is preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Christ in 1985; a brother Joseph Tabert and a sister, Marge Toffoletto.

Memorial Services will be conducted at 7 p.m., Tuesday, Jan. 6, at the K. K. Hamsher Funeral Home, 12 N. Pistakee Lake Rd., Fox Lake (The Chapel on the Lake), (one block west of Route 12, 1/2 block north of Grand Avenue). All are invited to arrive from 6 p.m. on through time of memorial services. Interment was private. Memorials for Save-A-Pet, 31664 N. Fairfield Rd., Grayslake, IL 60030, will be appreciated by the family.

#### Annette L. Schroeder

Age 65 of Lindenhurst, passed away Tuesday, Dec. 23, 2003 at Victory Lakes Continuing Care Center in Lindenhurst. She was born Jan. 4, 1938 in Palatine, the daughter of the late Frederick and Luella (Rieke) Schroeder. She had lived in Barrington, Walworth, Wis. and Des Plaines, before moving to Lindenhurst. Annette was a member of the Christ Church United Church of Christ in Des Plaines and had worked for IBM in the accounting department.

Survivors include two brothers, Ralph (Judy) Schroeder of Antioch and Melvin (Florence) Schroeder of McHenry; one sister, Lorain Zalaback of Clearwater, Fla. and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral Service was held at 10 a.m., Dec. 29 at the Strang Funeral Home of Antioch. Interment was in Memory Gardens, Arlington Heights at noon. Visitation was from 9 a.m., Dec. 29 until the time of services. In lieu of flowers, donations in her memory may be made to the Multiple Sclerosis Society, 910 W. Van Buren, Fourth Floor, Chicago, IL. 60607.

#### Rose Marie Symbol

Age 87 of Wauconda. Prayers for Rose Marie Symbol, will be said Saturday, Jan. 3. 2004 at Kisselburg-Wauconda Funeral Home, 235 N. Main St., Wauconda. A Mass will follow at 9:30 a.m. at St. Gilbert Church in Grayslake.

Born March 20, 1916 in Chicago, the daughter of Joseph and Salomea (nee Janikowski) Pietszak, she went to meet her Savior Wednesday, Dec. 24, 2003 at her home, with her family by her side. Interment will be in Ascension Cemetery in Libertyville.

Rose married her soulmate, Paul P. Symbol, on Nov. 19, 1938, and made their home in Chicago, then later moved to Stanley, Wis. For a brief time they lived in Grayslake where they raised their four children. Upon retirement, they moved to Round Lake, where Paul passed on. Rose then moved to Wauconda, where she lived with her daughter and son-in-law until her death. She was a lifelong member of St. Gilbert's Catholic Church in Grayslake, where she was a member of the Altar and Rosary Society. She had a strong faith in God and lived by His word.

In her early years, Rose worked at Smoler Brothers in Chicago as a seamstress and then again while living in Grayslake at Gesco Manufacturing Company. She mainly chose to stay at home and raise her children. She was known by everyone as the world's best cook and for also having the world's cleanest house. Friends would come over and tell her that her floors were so clean they could eat off them. She worked diligently to achieve both. She truly dedicated her life to taking care of her family.

Rose loved seeing her great-grandchildren come visit her. The little ones, Pauly, Kailey and Chloe, would run in her room yelling "Hi Busha," which would always light up her face. The eldest, Taylor and Kaylee played cards or watched TV with her, which was comforting to her. All the others lived far away but were always in her thoughts and prayers.

Survivors Include her daughter, Sally A. (Patrick) Ward of Wauconda; grandchildren, LeRoy Paul; Symbol of Iowa, LeRoy Zachary Symbol, Laura Snodgrass, Lolly Mahoney, all of Alaska; Michael Jurey of Round Lake Beach and Paul Jurey of Wauconda; great-grandchildren, Ashley Symbol of Iowa, Pauly and Kailey Jurey of Grayslake, Chloe Jurey, Taylor and Kaylee Hiland of Round Lake Beach, Justin, Heather, Colton and Shailey Symbol, Charity, Shae and Kaya Snodgrass and Vincent and Gideon Mahoney, all of Alaska; and her most beloved aunt, Lottle Kuberski of Chicago. She is preceded in death by her husband, Paul P. Symbol in February, 1996; sons, LeRoy A. Symbol in August, 1967; Ronald P. Symbol in July of 1996 and Marshall R. Symbol in April of 2001; and her brother, Harry Pietszak in 2003.

Visitation will be from 3-9 p.m., Friday, Jan. 2, 2004 at the Kisselburg-Wauconda Funeral Home in Wauconda.

#### Dorothea Wheeler Marks

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Paola, Kan., to Charles and Carrie Wheeler. She married Russell H. Marks on June 4, 1938. She earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree in drama and theatre at Northwestern University. She was a secretary at the Wauconda Grade School and a Sunday school teacher at the Wauconda Federated Church for many years. She had a great spirit and will be dearly missed. She was an avid reader and enjoyed drama, humor, swimming, yoga and bridge. She is preceded in death by her parents, her husband in 1984, sisters Genevieve and Rosalind; and brother, Wendell.

She is survived by her children, Jeanette (Brian) Stanfield, Russell and Gerald (Ane); grandchildren, Emily, Thomas and Ane, and many nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Northeastern Ill., 410 S. Hager Ave., Barrington, IL 60010. A Memorial Service will be held at 11 a.m., Jan. 17, 2004 at the Wauconda Federated Church, 200 S. Barrington Rd., Wauconda, IL 60084.

#### Mildred Koss

Age 84 of Palo Alto, Calif., passed away Sunday, Dec. 28, 2003 in Midland, Tex. On May 19, 1946, Mildred married 2nd Lt. Nick S. Koss of Gary, Ind.

Surviving are her children, George (Susanne) Koss of Midland, Tex., Donna (Robert) Lindquist of Graeagle, Calif. and Janet (Gary) Meyer of Williamsburg, Va.; 11 grandchildren; one great grandchild; two sisters and a brother. She is preceded in death by her husband, Nick S. Koss.

Funeral Services will be held at 1 p.m., Friday, Jan. 2 at St. Sava Serbian Orthodox Monastery in Libertyville. Interment will follow in the monastery cemetery. Visitation will be on Thursday, Jan. 1, from 7-8 p.m., at the Burnett-Dane Funeral Home, 120 W. Park Ave., (Route 176) Libertyville.

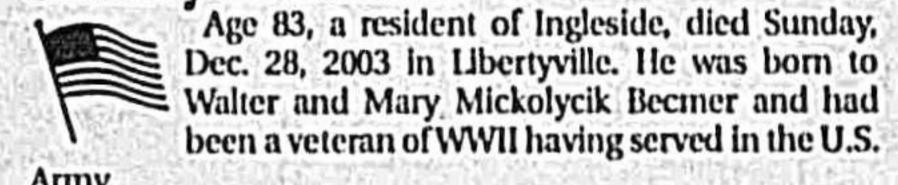
#### Natalie M. Underwood

Age 80 of Mundelein, passed away Sunday, Dec. 28, 2003 at the Condell Medical Center in Libertyville. Natalie worked at Fort Sheridan during WWII.

Surviving are three sons, Kent and David Underwood, both of Mundelein and Roger Underwood of Waukegan; her brother and a sister. She is preceded in death by her parents, David and Mabel Olson and by her husband, Francis Underwood in 1994.

A visitation was held from 11 a.m. until noon on Dec. 31 at the Burnett-Dane Funeral Home in Libertyville. A graveside service followed at 1 p.m., at Memorial Park Cemetery in Skokie.

#### Stanley R. Becmer



Survivors include his wife, Alice L. Becmer (nee Kruszynski) of Ingleside; his children, Jerome "Jerry" (Sue) Becmer of Chicago, Leonard "Lenny" (Sheryl) Becmer of Wauconda, Cindy Shuerr of Twin Lakes, Wis., Richard "Rich" (Jill) Becmer of Lake Villa, and Denise (Mike) Waynen of Texas; by his grandchildren; five great grandchildren and a sister. He is preceded in death by his parents, and by a brother, Leonard Becmer.

A Catholic Funeral Mass was celebrated on Dec. 31 at St. Bede Catholic Church at noon. Visitation was on Dec. 30 from 5-9 p.m. at the K. K. Hamsher Funeral Home in Fox Lake (The Chapel on the Lake) Burial followed at the East Fox Lake Cemetery in Lake Villa Township. Masses will be appreciated by the family...

#### Esther Bellak

Age 70 of Round Lake Beach, died Monday, Dec. 22, 2003 at her home. She was born to Arthur and Frieda (Christiansen) Andersen. Esther was employed at Ace Hardware in Round Lake and also at Zayre Department

Survivors include her children, Cindy Hybl, Cheryl Perez, Corrine (Arthur) Sagel and John (Marlene) Bellak; 11 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. She is preceded in death by her husband, LeRoy in 1993.

Friends greeted the family from noon until the 1 p.m., Memorial Service on Dec. 28 at Calvary Presbyterian Church in Round Lake with the Rev. Lisle Kauffman officiating. Inurnment was private. Memorials in Esther's name to the American Cancer Society or Heartland Hospice would be appreciated by the family. Arrangements were handled by the Justen's Round Lake Funeral Home in Round Lake.

#### Paul 'Poppa' Grockis

Age 88 passed away Friday, Dec. 26, 2003 at Condell

Medical Center in Libertyville.

Paul is survived by his dear children, Pauline Wibright of Texas, Frank Grockis of Deerfield and Jo (George) Miner of Round Lake; the loving grandfather of 10 and great grandfather of 19. He is preceded in death by his wife of 58 years, Josephine (nee White) on June 6, 1996; whom he married on June 18, 1938

A Funeral Mass was celebrated on Dec. 29 at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Round Lake at 10 a.m. Interment was held immediately after the Mass at St. Casimir Cemetery in Chicago. Friends of the family visited on Dec. 28 at Strang Funeral Chapel and Crematorium Ltd., in Grayslake from 2-5 p.m. Memorials may be given to Save-A-Pet Inc., 31664 N. Fairfield Rd., Grayslake, IL 60030.

#### Deborah Lee Tate

Age 50, passed away at her home on Monday, Dec. 22,

She is survived by her husband of six years, Gary Tate; her mother, Bernie (nee Booth) Peschman; stepchildren Kim (Mark) Benedict of Waukegan, Scott Tate of Antioch and Shawn Tate of San Pedro, Calif.; her grandchildren; her brother; her sister; her father-in-law, Virgil Tate of Gurnee and many other relatives and friends. Deborah is preceded in death by her father, Leroy Peschman and her mother-in-law Roberta (nee Wrench) Tate.

Friends of the family visited from noon-1 p.m. on Dec. 27 at Strang Funeral Chapel and Crematorium Ltd., in Grayslake. The funeral service followed immediately at 1 p.m. at the Chapel. Interment was at Millburn Cemetery in Lake Villa. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the American Cancer Society, 777 N. Central Ave., Highland Park, IL 60035.

Leonard H. Jarosz

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Age 72 of Round Lake passed away Dec. 22, 2003 at his daughter's home in Lake visite 2003 at his daughter's home in Lake visite visite with leukemia. He served in courageous battle with leukemia. He was born the son of the late John and Julia (nee Moztec)

He is survived by his children, Sharon (Leon) Casetta of Skokie, Sandra (Jeffrey) Malueg of Lakemoor, Michaelyn (David) Radtke of Lake Villa, Anthony Jarosz; his grandchildren; his great grandchildren; his brothers; h is sister; sister-in-law; and numerous nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his beloved wife of 39 years, Jean C. (nee Krueger) Jarosz who passed away Dec. 23, 2002; his brother and sisters.

Funeral Service was held at 10 a.m., Dec. 27 at Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church in Ingleside. Interment was at noon at St. Peter United Church of Christ Cemetery in Skokie. Visitation was from 4-9 p.m. Dec. 26 at the Strang Funeral Chapel and Crematorium Ltd., in Grayslake and at the church from 9-10 a.m. Dec. 27 prior to the funeral service. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Carillon Bell Tower of Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, 25519 W. Hwy. 134, Ingleside, IL 60041.

#### Bonita L. Meyer

Age 89 of Libertyville, passed away suddenly, Tuesday, Dec. 23, 2003 at her home in Spring Meadows Retirement Community.

Surviving are her daughter, Rosalyn Miller (Paul Spera) of Mundelein; three grandchildren and three great grandchildren. She is preceded in death by her parents, Frank and Rose Bennett, by her husband Walter Milton Meyer, a sister and a brother.

Funeral Service was held at 3 p.m., Dec. 30 at the Burnett-Dane Funeral Home in Libertyville. Visitation was from 1 p.m. until the time of service on Dec. 30, Entombment was in Coral Ridge Cemetery in Cape Coral, Fla. Memorial contributions may be made to the charity of your choice in her memory.

#### Emlyn H. Daniels

Age 80 of Antioch, passed away Thursday, Dec. 25, 2003 at her home. She was born the daughter of the late Peter and Ena (Fossem) Swiggun. On Sept. 3, 1959 she married Grady J. Daniels in Las Vegas, Nev. and he preceded her in death in 1992.

Survivors include her daughter Lori L. Bruce and companion Joel Fries with whom she made her home; and two grandchildren. In addition to her husband, she is preceded in death by a brother.

Memorial Service and interment was held in-Lanesboro, MN. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in her memory to Vista Star Hospice, 2615 Washington St., Waukegan, IL 60085-4988. Arrangements were handled by the Strang Funeral Home of Antioch.

#### Vera E. Mackinder

Age 81 of Wildwood passed away Friday, Dec. 26, 2003 at Condell Medical Center in Libertyville. Born the daughter of the late Louis D. Stufflebean and Ruth G. Renard.

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Services were privately held. Memorials may be made to the Condell Hospital, 801 S. Milwaukee Ave., Libertyville, IL 60048 or to the American Lung Association, 3000 Kelly Ln., Springfield, IL 62707. Strang Funeral Chapel and Crematorium Ltd., in Grayslake handled the arrangements.

#### Dorine Edwards

Age 80 of Round Lake Heights, passed away Saturday, Dec. 27, 2003 at Condell Medical Center in Libertyville. She was born the daughter of the late Ernst and Kathleen (Gleeson) Johnson in Chicago. She married David C. Edwards in 1948 and he preceded her in death in 1982.

Survivors include four children, Julie Edwards of Lakemoor, David (Diane) Edwards of Oshkosh, Wis., Edward (Kim) Edwards and Patrick (Suzanne) Edwards both of Fox Lake; two grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Funeral Services with Mass of Christian Burial was held at 10 a.m., Dec. 31 at St. Joseph Church in Round Lake. Interment was in Grant Cemetery in Grant Township. Friends called from 4-8 p.m. Dec. 30 at the Strang Funeral Home of Antioch.

#### Kathleen Lubkeman

Age 52 of Antioch, passed away Saturday, Dec. 27, 2003 at Condell Medical Center in Libertyville. She was born the daughter of George and June (Oliver) Mulhern. On Oct. 28, 1973 she married James H. Lubkeman in Ingleside.

Survivors include her husband, James; her son, James H. (Carrie Ann) Lubkeman Jr. of Antioch and her daughter, June (Bob) Stitt of Antioch; her mother, June Florian of Delwood, Wis.; and three sisters. She is preceded in death by her father George Mulhern.

Funeral Services with Mass of Christian Burial was held at 10 a.m., Dec. 31 at St. Bede Church in Ingleside. Interment was in Liberty Cemetery in Salem,. Wis. Visitation was from 4-8 p.m. Dec. 30 at the Strang Funeral Home of Antioch. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the family.

#### Russell E. Drantz

Age 84 of Antioch passed away Sunday, Dec. 21. 2003 at Winchester House in Libertyville. He was born in Chicago, the son of the late Frank and Mabel (Gottsch) Drantz. Russ was an Assistant Township Tax Assessor.

Survivors include two nieces Lori (Robert) Scott and Linda (David) Silva; four great nieces, Stacie and Stephanie Heyer, Kristin Flynn and Jeanne Delbosque.

Funeral Services were held at 10 a.m., Dec. 27 at the Strang Funeral Home of Antioch. Interment was at 12:30 p.m. at St. Mary Cemetery in Evergreen Park. Visitation was at the funeral home from 4-8 p.m., Dec. 26. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Winchester House, 1125 N. Milwaukee Ave., Libertyville, IL 60048 in his mem-

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Career Growth Requires Constant

By Scott T. Fleischmann Over the past few years, I have noticed an interesting pattern in those who are looking for a new job. They wait until they decide to make a change to start the process. This is not good.

Career development, including every job search, requires constant attention. Those who want to be gainfully employed need to make every decision as if their career depends on it. It does.

I recently talked to a person who has been employed in construction for ... more than 30 years. He told me that he joined the union because he could make more money and he would have a more secure future. Over time, many of the building contractors in his area of the country started to use non-union labor. He recognized the trend and resented those who were hiring the non-union workers. When he was offered opportunities to Join some of those organizations he not only declined the offer, but also shared his thoughts on how non-union builders were destroying the economy. He has great skills and has always been sought by the builders. Since he had significant senjority, he thought that he would never be without a job. He is. In fact, the construction unions in that part of the world have almost disappeared.

lie is having a difficult time finding a different job for several reasons. Firstly, he is older and many of the builders are looking for younger workers. Secondly, his salary is higher than most of those with equal skills. Subsequently, most employers are concerned that he will take a job temporarily until a higher paying job opens up elsewhere (a common concern for those who do hiring.) Finally, when he shared his opinions about the ethics of various builders, he alternated many of them. In fact, those concerns were more about his opinion than they were about ethics. But this lesson is not about unions. Unions have served a great service in this country. Many still do.

The real lessons are:

 Recognize trends. We all need to be aware of what is happening in the industry and occupation that we have chosen. Subscribe to the journals, newspapers, and internet services that provide this information. Read the business pages and the classified advertising of the local newspapers to see how the trends are affecting the local businesses.

 Commit to be willing to make career choices and changes based on the trends. We certainly should not change jobs every time we observe a minor drift. However, an established trend must be addressed. We need to make decisions about the trend or the trend will make decisions for

 Never burn bridges. If an act is illegal, we need to go to the proper authorities. If the ethics of a business does not meet industry standards, we should challenge those decisions with the gentleness and respect that is due to each person that is on the face of this earth. Even in the worst situation, we can handle the problem with grace.

Those who look at their comments at part of life will handle these situations better than those who address career issues only when a new Job is on the horizon.

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ADDRESS(ES) WHERE BUSINESS IS TO BE CONDUCTED OR TRANS-ACTED IN THIS COUNTY: 239 Parker Dr.; Grayslake, ILL. 60030, (847)548-9159. NAME(S) AND POST OFFICE OR RESIDENCE ADDRESS(ES) OF THE PERSON(S) OWNING, CONDUCTING OR TRANSACTING BUSINESS Pamella F. Navarre, 239 Parker Dr., Grayslake, ILL. 60030, (847)548-9159. STATE OF ILLINOIS)

COUNTY OF LAKE) This is to certify that the undersigned intend(s) to conduct the above named business from the location(s) indicated and that the true or real full name(s) of the person(s) owning, conducting or transacting the business is/are correct as shown. /s/ Pamella F. Navarro

December 11, 2003 The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) intending to conduct the business this 11th day of December 2003.

OFFICIAL SEAL /s/ Marie Louise Izzo Notary Public Received: Dec. 11, 2003 Willard R. Helander Lake CountyClerk 1219C-6293-GL December 19, 26, 2003 January 2, 2004

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COUNTY OF LAKE) This is to certify that the undersigned intend(s) to conduct the above named business from the location(s) Indicated and that the true or real full name(s) of the person(s) owning, conducting or transacting the business is/are correct as shown. /s/ Michael B. Ford /s/ Barbara Ann Ford December 3, 2003

The foregoing instrument

was acknowledged before me

by the person(s) intending to

conduct the business this 3rd. day of December 2003. OFFICIAL SEAL

/s/ James A. Jilly Notary Public Received: Dec. 8, 2003 Willard R. Helander Lake CountyClerk 1219C-6294-RL December 19, 26, 2003 January 2, 2004

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OFFICE OR RESIDENCE

TRANSACTING BUSINESS

Barry S. Frazin, Beth A. Fra-

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/s/ George Biney

Willard R. Helander

December 26, 2003

January 2, 9, 2004

Lake CountyClerk

1226D-6303-LB

Received: Dec. 16, 2003

Notary Public

12th day of December 2003.

ADDRESS(ES) OF THE

PERSON(S) OWNING,

falo Grove, ILL. 60089,

STATE OF ILLINOIS)

COUNTY OF LAKE)

(847)883-8785.

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/s/ Barry S. Frazin

/s/ Beth A. Frazin

December 12, 2003

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PUBLIC NOTICE **ASSUMED BUSINESS** NAME application NAME OF BUSINESS: Medical Billing and Consulting Services NATURE/PURPOSE: Medical claims filing and com-

puter consultation ADDRESS(ES) WHERE BUSINESS IS TO BE CONDUCTED OR TRANS-ACTED IN THIS COUNTY: 28905 Sawmill Ln., Lakemoor, ILL. 60051, (815)578-

NAME(S) AND POST OFFICE OR RESIDENCE ADDRESS(ES) OF THE PERSON(S) OWNING, CONDUCTING OR TRANSACTING BUSINESS David P. Auld, 28905 Sawmill Lane, Lakemoor, ILL. 60051, (815)578-4269.

STATE OF ILLINOIS) COUNTY OF LAKE) This is to certify that the undersigned intend(s) to conduct the above named business from the location(s) indicated and that the true or real full name(s) of the person(s)

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The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) intending to conduct the business this 15th day of December 2003.

> OFFICIAL SEAL /s/ Eleanor A. Petruska Notary Public Received: Dec. 15, 2003 Willard R. Helander Lake CountyClerk 1219C-6299-FL December 19, 26, 2003

> > January 2, 2004

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PUBLIC NOTICE

ASSUMED BUSINESS

NAME application

NAME OF BUSINESS:

NATURE/PURPOSE:

Krystal's Kleaning Service

House Cleaning Business

ADDRESS(ES) WHERE

CONDUCTED OR TRANS-

ACTED IN THIS COUNTY:

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Lake, ILL. 60042, (847)343-

OFFICE OR RESIDENCE

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Rd., #2, Island Lake ILL.

60042, (847)343-3875.

STATE OF ILLINOIS)

COUNTY OF LAKE)

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January 2, 9, 16, 2004

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23rd day of December 2003.

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/s/ Krystal Kogut

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PUBLIC NOTICE ASSUMED BUSINESS NAME application NAME OF BUSINESS: HVM Management NATURE/PURPOSE: Housing and Vending Machine Services ADDRESS(ES) WHERE **BUSINESS IS TO BE** CONDUCTED OR TRANS-ACTED IN THIS COUNTY: 1601 N. Haig Point Ln., Vernon Hills, ILL, 60061. (847)816-9746. NAME(S) AND POST OFFICE OR RESIDENCE ADDRESS(ES) OF THE PERSON(S) OWNING, CONDUCTING OR

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/s/ Huaming Li /s/ Shixing He December 12, 2003

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) Intending to conduct the business this 12th. day of December 2003.

> OFFICIAL SEAL /s/ Charlene Martinez Notary Public Received: Dec. 12, 2003 Willard R. Helander Lake CountyClerk 1219C-6295-MN December 19, 26, 2003 January 2, 2004

PUBLIC NOTICE ASSUMED BUSINESS NAME application NAME OF BUSINESS: Center for Pain Control, P.C. NATURE/PURPOSE: **Professional Corporation** ADDRESS(ES) WHERE BUSINESS IS TO BE CONDUCTED OR TRANS-ACTED IN THIS COUNTY: 1800 Hollister Dr., Libertyville, ILL. 60048, (847)549-1609. NAME(S) AND POST OFFICE OR RESIDENCE ADDRESS(ES) OF THE PERSON(S) OWNING, CONDUCTING OR TRANSACTING BUSINESS Bruce W. Irwin, 1800 Hollister Dr., Libertyville, ILL. 60048, (847)549-1609.

COUNTY OF LAKE) This is to certify that the undersigned intend(s) to conduct the above named business from the location(s) indicated and that the true or real full name(s) of the person(s) owning, conducting or transacting the business is/are correct as shown.

STATE OF ILLINOIS)

December 17, 2003 The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) intending to conduct the business this 17th day of December 2003.

/s/ Bruce W. Irwin

OFFICIAL SEAL /s/ Sheldon M. Lustig Notary Public Received: Dec. 22, 2003 Willard R. Helander Lake CountyClerk 0102A-6307-LB January 2, 9, 16, 2004



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NAME application NAME OF BUSINESS: BarbaraJean & Co. NATURE/PURPOSE: Graphic Design, water color art & crafts to sell retail ADDRESS(ES) WHERE BUSINESS IS TO BE CONDUCTED OR TRANS-ACTED IN THIS COUNTY: 2209 Witchwood Lane, Lindenhurst, ILL. 60046, (847)356-0963. NAME(S) AND POST OFFICE OR RESIDENCE ADDRESS(ES) OF THE PERSON(S) OWNING, CONDUCTING OR TRANSACTING BUSINESS Barbara J. Beetschen, 2209 Witchwood Lane, Lindenhurst, ILL. 60046, (847)356-0963. STATE OF ILLINOIS)

COUNTY OF LAKE) This is to certify that the undersigned intend(s) to conduct the above named business from the location(s) indicated and that the true or real full name(s) of the person(s) owning, conducting or transacting the business is/are cor-

rect as shown. /s/ Barbara J. Beetschen

December 11, 2003 The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) intending to conduct the business this 11th day of December 2003.

> OFFICIAL SEAL /s/ Denise B. Hartmann Notary Public Received: Dec. 22, 2003 Willard R. Helander Lake CountyClerk 0102A6308-LV January 2, 9, 16, 2004

PUBLIC NOTICE ASSUMED BUSINESS NAME application

NAME OF BUSINESS: Quality Cleaning Co. NATURE/PURPOSE: Commercial/Residential Cleaning ADDRESS(ES) WHERE BUSINESS IS TO BE CONDUCTED OR TRANS-ACTED IN THIS COUNTY: 40271 North West Shore Dr., Antioch, ILL, 60002, (847)331-3920. NAME(S) AND POST OFFICE OR RESIDENCE ADDRESS(ES) OF THE PERSON(S) OWNING, CONDUCTING OR TRANSACTING BUSINESS Robert J. O'Grady, 40271 North West Shore Dr., Antioch, ILL. 60002, (847)331-

COUNTY OF LAKE) This is to certify that the undersigned intend(s) to conduct the above named business from the location(s) indicated and that the true or real full name(s) of the person(s) owning, conducting or transacting the business is/are cor-

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rect as shown. /s/ Robert J. O'Grady December 15, 2003

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by the person(s) intending to conduct the business this 15th day of December 2003.

OFFICIAL SEAL /s/ Eleanor A. Petruska Notary Public Received: Dec. 15, 2003 Willard R. Helander Lake CountyClerk 1219C-6298-AN December 19, 26, 2003 January 2, 2004

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Village of Round Lake Beach Police Pension Board Meetings will be held on the fourth Tuesday of JANUARY, APRIL, JULY, OCTOBER.

At 7:00 p.m. in the conference room located at the Round Lake Beach Police Department, 1947 Municipal Way, Round Lake Beach, IL. 60073.

Special meetings will be held upon order of the President, and notice of special meetings will be posted at the Round Lake Beach Police Station, forty-eight (48) hours in advance.

> David E. Ostertag, President Round Lake Beach Police Pension Board 1947 Municipal Way Round Lake Beach, IL. 60073

> > 0102A-6310-RL January 2, 2004

ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT FOX LAKE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED MAY 31, 2003

REVENUE SUMMARY:

Property taxes \$ 882,176; Replacement tax 4,652; Interest 25,212: Sale of equipment 25,000;

Miscellaneous 1,612. Total revenue: \$938,652. COMPENSATION SUMMARY:

> G Banser \$3.000; F Lofferedo 3,000: C Tronvig 3,000. Total Compensation: \$9,000.

EXPENDITURE SUMMARY:

Com Ed \$6,301; Dam, Snell & Taveirne, Ltd. 8,123; Grower Equipment 1, 180; Jacquette 1,400; Meade Electric 8,537; Nextel 1,532; NICOR 4,199; Office Max 1,221; Portable Communications 3,240; Q Electric 15,807; Road Rescue 141,048; SBC Ameritech 1,803; Team Electronics 2,295; Trustmark Insurance 3,521; VFIS/ Midwest Insurance 7,913: Village of Fox Lake 673,363; Welter Landscaping 6,450; Wysocki & Smith 2,060. All other disbursements less than (\$1,000) 18,304. Total vendors; \$908,297.

> SUMMARY STATEMENT OF CONDITION (Exerpted from the Comptrollers Report)

Seginning fund balance	<u>General</u> \$ (37,700)	Special Revenue \$ 106,086	Capital Projects \$ 792,895
Revenue	433,572	258,784	246,296
Expenditures	386,592	319.194	211.511
Ending fund balance	\$ 9,280	\$45,676	\$827.680

Suscribed and sworn on this 9th day of December, 2003

/s/ Gregory Banser

Treasurer.

/s/ Fred Loffredo, Secretary of the Fox Lake Fire Protection District, Lake County, Illinois do hereby certify that the above iis a true copy of the Annual Treasurer's Report for the fiscal year ending May 31, 2003.

0102A-6309-FL January 2, 2004

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The meetings will be held during the month of January at 301 S. Route 59, Fox Lake, Illinois, 60020 in the Council Chambers at 7:00 p.m. (the meeting are held the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th Tuesday of every month). February through December the meetings will be held at 66 Thillen Drive, Fox Lake, IL 60020 or upon completion of the Council Chambers at the new Village Hall.

January 13, 2004 July 13, 2004 January 20, 2004 July 20, 2004 July 27, 2004 January 27, 2004 February 10, 2004 August 10, 2004 February 17, 2004 August 17, 2004 February 24, 2004 August 24, 2004 March 9, 2004 September 14 2004 March 16, 2004 September 21, 2004 March 23, 2004 September 28, 2004 October 12, 2004 April 13, 2004 April 20, 2004 October 19, 2004 October 26, 2004 April 27, 2004 May 11, 2004 November 9, 2004 May 18, 2004 November 16, 2004 May 25, 2004 November 23, 2004 June 8, 2004 December 14, 2004 June 15, 2004 December 21, 2004 June 22, 2004 December 28, 2004

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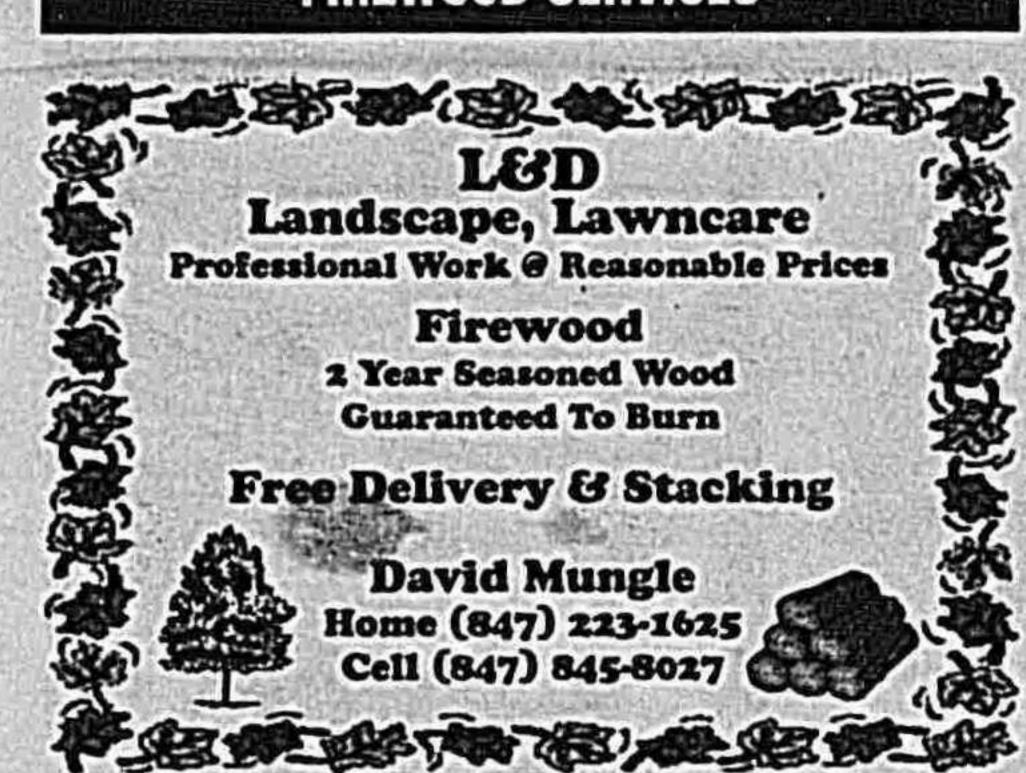
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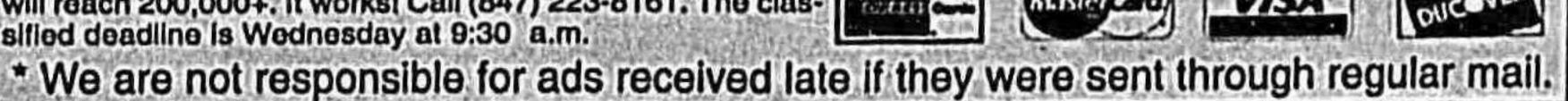
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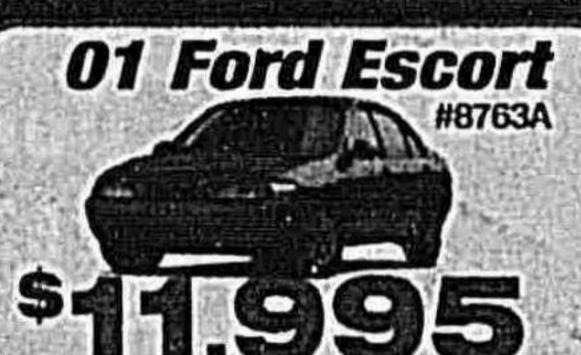


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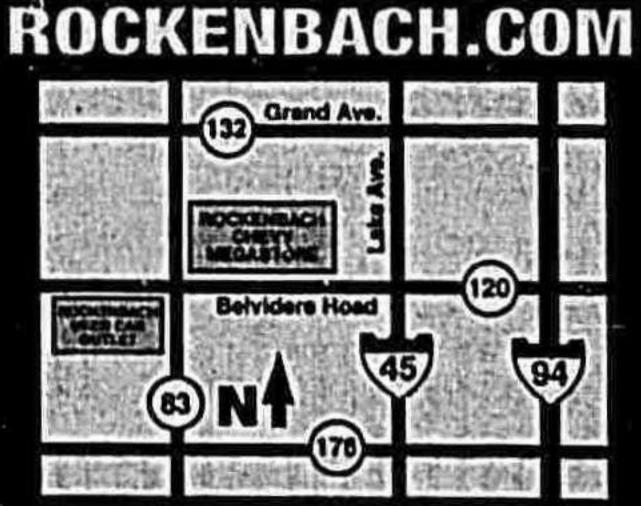
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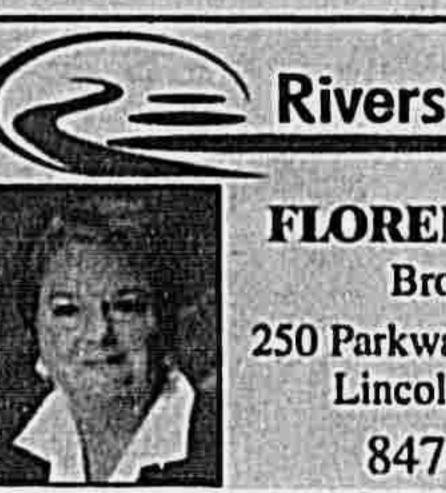
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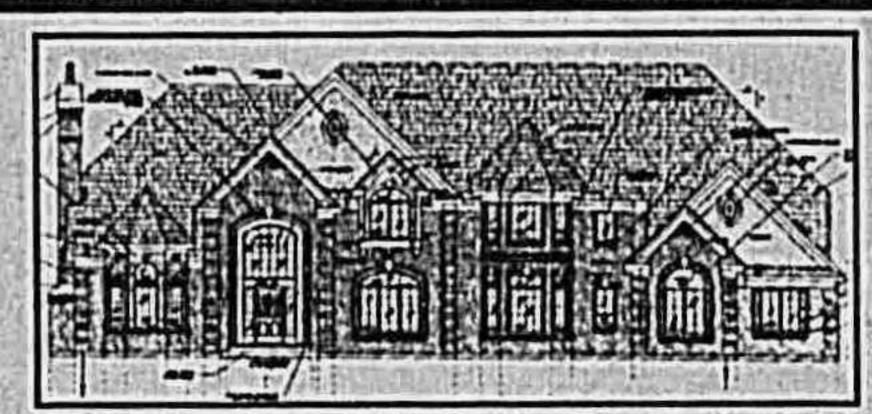
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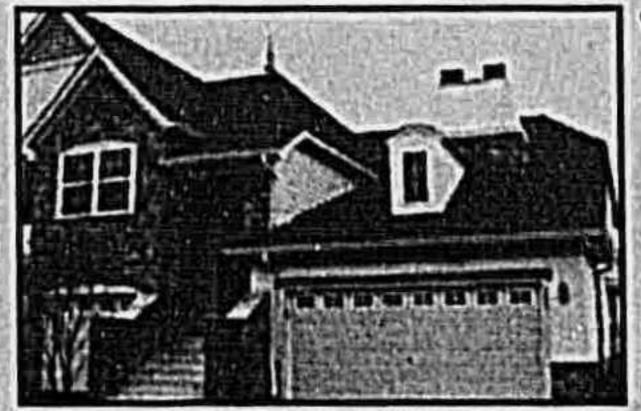
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## About the cover:

In this Illinois Landscape Contractors Association (ILCA) Excellence in Landscape Award photo, the homeowners wanted landscaping to provide relief from their hectic professional lives and offer them a vacation hideaway every evening right in their own back yard. Enormous trees, such as honey locusts, pines, ash and pin oaks, and perennial plantings offer year-round interest. Requested were several "outdoor rooms" including a cedar gazebo and hammock. Other seating areas are interconnected with paths of flagstone meandering through the newly created woods provided for privacy.

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## Builder's challenge: saving mature trees

hile conserving the trees in a new community of homes should be one of the home builder's chief concerns, there is more to doing so than first meets the eye.

"The devil is in the details," remarks Tom Robinson, president of the Roselle-based Robinson Development Inc. and senior vice president of the Home Builders Assn. of Greater Chicago. He is saving 350 mature trees at a suburban development.

As a result of Robinson's conservation efforts, unusual steps were being taken in the installation of the new community's infrastructure, and such special practices are continuing in the construction of the homes.

"Despite all the extra steps that need to be taken, there is no other option for any home builder worth his salt," said Robinson. "Mature trees — especially in a situation like ours where the trees are massive and several hundred years old — are an amenity you just can't replace."

But the task of preserving them is no simple matter. According to Builder Greener Neighborhoods: Trees as Part of the Plan," published by the National Assn. of Home Builders and the conservation group American Forests, the route to a healthy relationship between new homes and mature trees starts at the root — or rather, roots — of the situation.

The most important part of the tree, the root system is susceptible to nearby construction, and can be damaged by compacted soil. The size of the root network can make it a daunting task. At Oakcrest Estates,

crews have avoided them by angling pipes under and around the roots "which means you can't dig a trench and put the pipe in you have to burrow in on an angle, and it can be a very creative process sometimes," said Robinson.

Besides becoming compacted, the soil can also become contaminated; concrete, asphalt, oil-based paints and other common worksite materials can leach into the ground and kill trees from the bottom up.

The book recommends that home builders seek the counsel of arborists, landscape architects, land planners and other experts to sketch out a plan of action, which was the course taken by Robinson in Oakcrest

Estates' early stages, and many of the experts are still part of the ongoing process.



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What I like best about my town: That I grew up here & still enjoy seeing so many people I grew up with

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Last book I read: Laura (Bush)

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My life's motto is: Treat others as you would like to be treated

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## Affention formers, Check your wiring

f you live on a farm or ranch, chances are you rely heavily on electricity to keep the operation running smoothly. From illuminating farm buildings, to feed-handling or

milking equipment, or motors turning ventilation fans, grain dryers or irrigation pumps, electricity gets the

job done. Have you ever considered the condition of your electrical wiring system? Outdated and worn out wiring can be a ticking time bomb just waiting to fail. The result can be a fire or other catastrophic loss, or even an electrocution of animals or farm workers. Your electrical

system deserves just as much attention as your farm implements, so spend some time on

maintenance.

An annual review of your farmstead wiring will indicate whether simple corrections are needed, or whether portions of the system are on the verge of failure. Check for loose connections, missing covers on electrical panels, overloaded circuits, brittle wiring, rodent damage and broken ground rod connections.

The following checklist can be used to evaluate electrical systems, and determine whether corrections are needed. Any items

answered "no" are potential problem areas.
Was the system installed by a licensed

electrician?

• Is the electrical equipment dry and free of corrosion? · Are all conductors, fuses and circuit

breakers of the proper size and approved type?

 Do motor circuits have correctly sized fuses or circuit breakers?

 Are all motors of the totally enclosed design?

 Are electrical cables, conduit, switches and outlet boxes all surface-mounted rather than enclosed in the

 Do ventilation fan and motor circuits have disconnects located within sight of the motor?

-More detailed information and guidance on farmstead wiring is available in the "Agricultural Wiring Handbook," The handbook, produced by the National Food and Energy Council, is updated every three years to conform with the latest National Electrical Code. The cost for the 100-page handbook is \$19.95 (includes shipping). To order, contact the National Food and Energy Council at 573-875-7155. Additional information is available at www.nfec.org.



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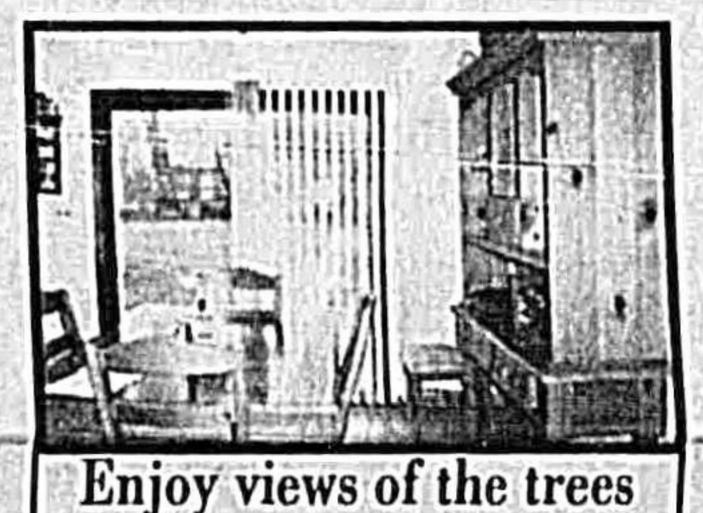
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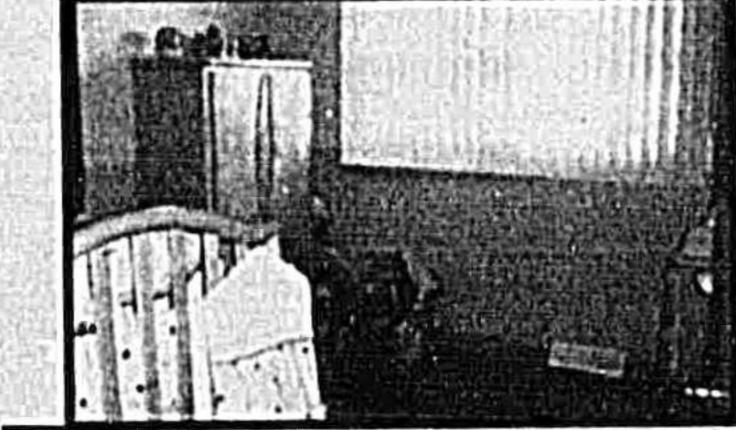
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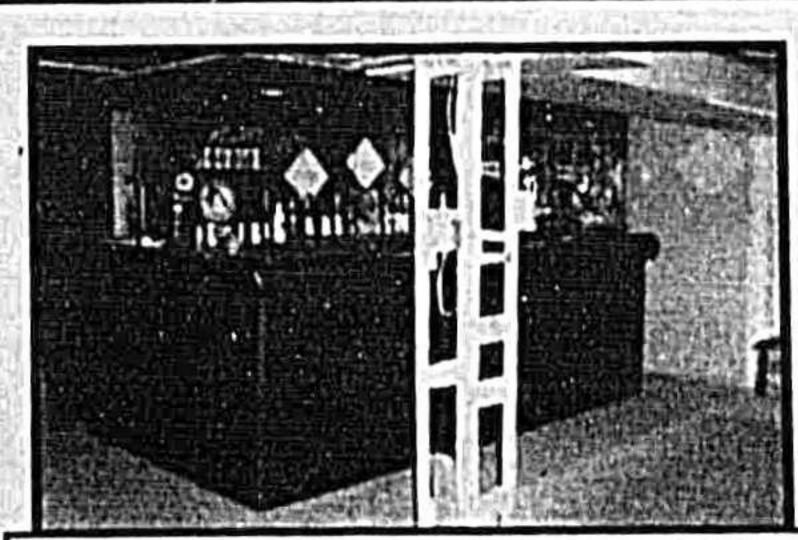
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ishful thinking! Like the gardener in all of us, you are itching to get back out in the yard and enjoy the warm weather, but, yes, it is winter in our area. You wish there was something you could do regarding your landscape during these cold blistery days, but what? The answer is simple - plan for spring. It's early in the season, and you may not have even figured out yet how to assemble the kids' new Christmas toys, but winter is the perfect time to start thinking about the upcoming spring planting season.

### Plan ahead!

1. Study the views from your house. Are there any sight lines, due to the absent of leaves on your existing plants, you would like to screen with evergreens? Take pictures of these areas or actually mark specific locations where new plants would be placed. Besides locations, take note on the plant width and height required to adequately screen the unwanted view. With this information in hand, you and your designer will not be guessing on the placement, size, and type of plant needed once leaves again emerge in the spring.

2. Besides adding some screening, why not add interest to your winter landscape? Consider planting varieties of plants that hold berries into the winter and attract birds. Consider ornamental grasses, which can be left standing throughout the winter. Besides some visual interest, these grasses actually add some audible interest when the wind rushes through the dry leaves.

3. Look also at the way your plants are pruned. Most people only think about how a plant, when properly pruned, looks in the summer. But actually, a plant that is pruned correctly adds an enormous amount of interest to a landscape. This is especially true with species such as hawthorn, pagoda dogwood, and crabapple. Before you run out of the house with the

new pruning tools given to you for Christmas, remember not to shear evergreens such as yews this time of year because the frozen open needles will be prone to drying and windburn, causing the plant to brown.

4. If planning on contracting out landscape design/installation work, start now. Spring is about ten weeks away and so is the extremely busy landscape season. Contractors' and designers' backlog of work can easily grow into several months once planting season begins. Be aware that some plants, such as alder, beech, birch, oak, pear, red maple and willow, should be dug in spring before the leaves emerge, adding more importance to planning ahead.

5. If you simply must get outside in the yard now, there are some winter chores one can, and should do:

a. Gently remove light snow from sensitive evergreens such as arborvitae and yew. Do not, however, attempt to knock packed snow or ice off any plants. Once snow and ice has frozen to the stems, attempts to remove it will cause more harm than good. Let the plant cope with the weight — in most cases it will regain its shape once the snow and ice melt.

b. Water evergreens during any winter warm Remember that evergreens are losing moisture throughout the winter months without the benefit of rain to replenish the water in the plant's root zone. Evergreens planted recently, in the past two or three years, should receive the most attention.



### Pots & Pans:

To clean burnt and scorched pans, sprinkle liberally with baking soda, adding just enough water to moisten. Let stand for several hours. You can generally lift the burned portions right out of the pans. On non-stick cookware, stubborn stains can be removed by boiling 2 tablespoons of baking soda, 1/2 cup vinegar and 1 cup of water for ten minutes. Before using, season pan with salad oil. For copper pots, fill a spray bottle with vinegar and add 3 tablespoons of salt. Then spray the solution on copper pot. Let stand, then rub clean. Rub on Worcestershire sauce or catsup, and tarnish will disappear. Or dip lemon halves in salt and rub.

### Clogged Drains:

To keep your drains unclogged from grease, pour a cup of salt water and a cup of soda into the drain followed by a pan of boiling water. The grease will usually dissolve immediately and open the drain.

### Stoves & Ovens:

Keep salt near stove in case of a grease fire. Following a spill, sprinkle with salt immediately. When oven is cool, brush off burnt food and wipe with a damp sponge. An inexpensive oven cleaner: Set oven on warm for about 20 minutes, then turn off. Place a small dish of full-strength ammonia on the top shelf. Put a large pan of boiling water on the bottom shelf and let it sit overnight. In the morning, open and air for a while before washing off with soap and water. Even the hard baked-on grease will wash off easily. Sinks:

Baking soda or club soda is excellent to clean stainless steel sinks. To remove water spots from a stainless steel sink, use a cloth dampened with rubbing alcohol. Spots on stainless steel also can be removed with white vinegar. If your kids leave toothpaste in sinks, take a washcloth and clean the sink and fixture with the paste. Rub stainless steel sinks with lighter fluid if rust marks appear. After the rust disappears, wipe with your regular kitchen cleaner. For a sparkling white sink, place paper towels across the bottom of your sink and saturate with household bleach. Let sit for 1/2 hour. Rinse.



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## A room for all seasons

hese days people want to feel part of nature whenever possible, so it is no wonder that the Victorian conservatory is enjoying a revival. This glass-enclosed space connects occupants with the outdoors and allows gardens to be enjoyed year-round.

It is easy to understand the attraction of spring's drifts of daffodils, midsummer's blooms and autumn's changing leaves, but homeowners are often surprised that the conservatory is such a wonderful observation post during the winter months.

"Once you own one of these glassed-in environments, you discover that even inclement weather is wonderful," explains Alan Stein, architectural director of Tanglewood Conservatories. "Our clients often say they never realized how beautiful a wintery garden is until they added a conservatory to their homes. Tree branches and trunks, shrubs, grasses, arbors and urns all acquire an otherworldly beauty when covered by snow or ice."

## **Energy efficiency**

Some homeowners love dining in a conservatory lit by candles and moonlight, tells Stein, while others find it utterly glamorous for parties. Still, most people simply like it as a place to get together as a family or relax.

## But can a glass room truly be comfortable year-round?

The answer is yes, whether you live in southern California or Illinois. Glass is specified for top energy efficiency, and the tile or stone floors commonly used in conservatories are excellent for both radiant and passive solar heating. In hot climates, ceiling fans, window blinds, skylights that open and exterior roof sunscreens will prevent excessive heat build-up, and just like the tile and stone floors work to conserve heat in cold climates, they will store cool night breezes and air conditioning in hot climates.

Location, location

The location of the conservatory has a lot to do with its energy efficiency. Stein, who often makes as many as a dozen visits to a site before a project is finished, points out that a southern exposure is best for capturing the most daylight, but it may be too hot in warm regions. The additional cooling needed could be costly. An eastern exposure will ease cooling needs by providing sun in the morning and shade the rest of the day, but clearly this is not a good idea for anybody who wants to retreat to the conservatory for after-work enjoyment.

Western exposure, on the other hand, will bring in afternoon sun, and in many parts of the country this will be so harsh that it must be shaded. Northern exposure will provide low levels of light and partial shade most of the day. In northern states, this might cause a room to be too cool and damp, but it would be a good idea for southern regions.

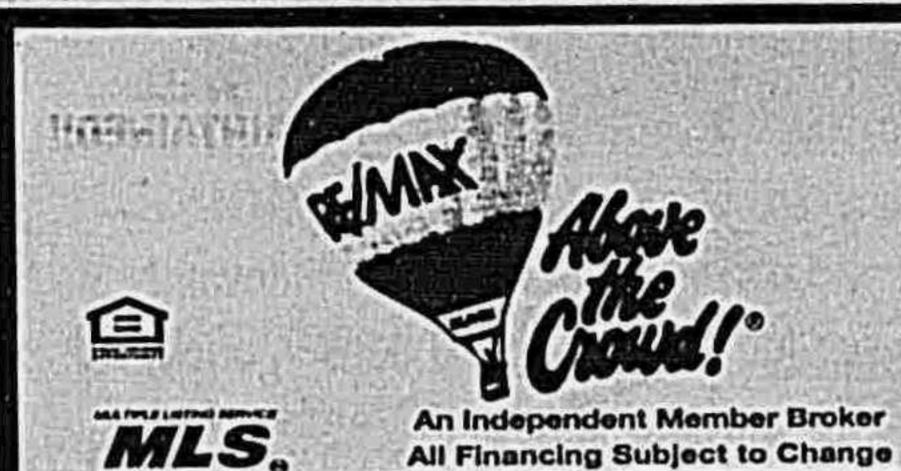
Locating a conservatory on an east-west axis in cool regions will provide the highest amount of passive solar heating benefits.

"It is an art locating a conservatory," says Stein. "It has to complement the home, provide a great view of the grounds, suit the family's lifestyle and be as practical as it is beautiful."

Altogether, designing and building a conservatory is serious business. A custom-built conservatory may well cost from \$300 to \$900 per square foot, so it is important that every aspect, from site location to material choices, is handled expertly. Consulting with a design professional and builder with a gifted eye and a proven track record is a must.

To see examples of the firm's projects, you may want to check www.tanglewoodconservatories.com, or order a catalog from Tanglewood Conservatories, 15 Engerman Ave., Denton, MD 21629, 410-479-4700. The beautiful, full-color brochure is \$11.85.—By Lis King





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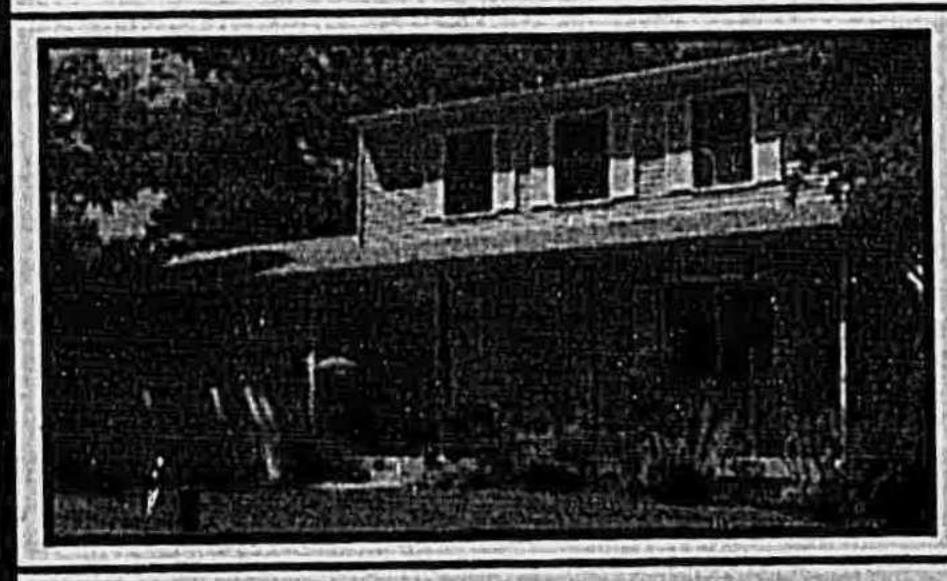
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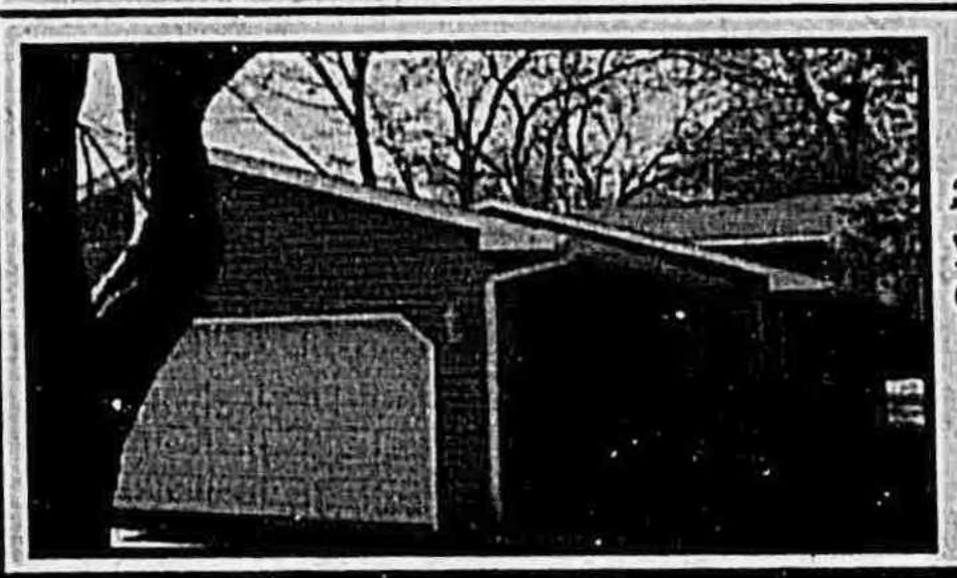
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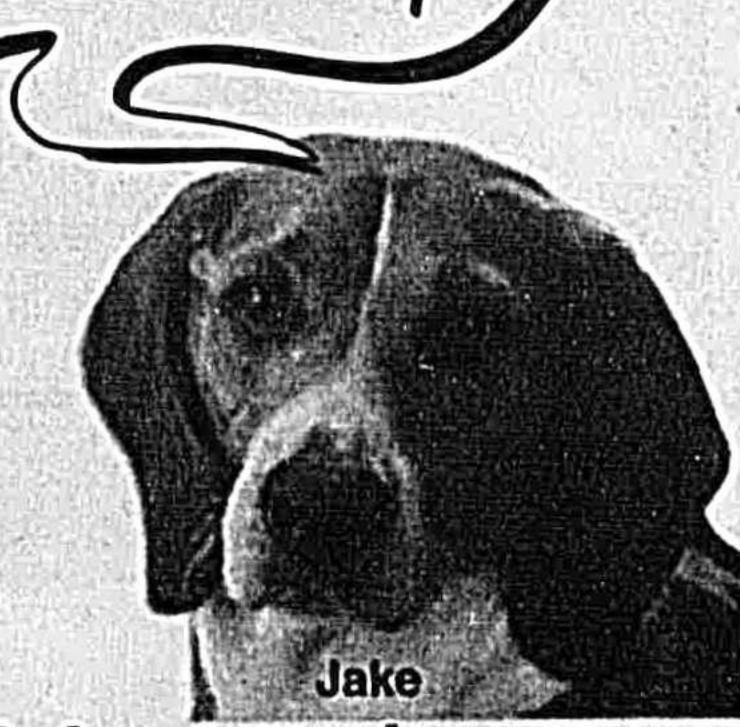
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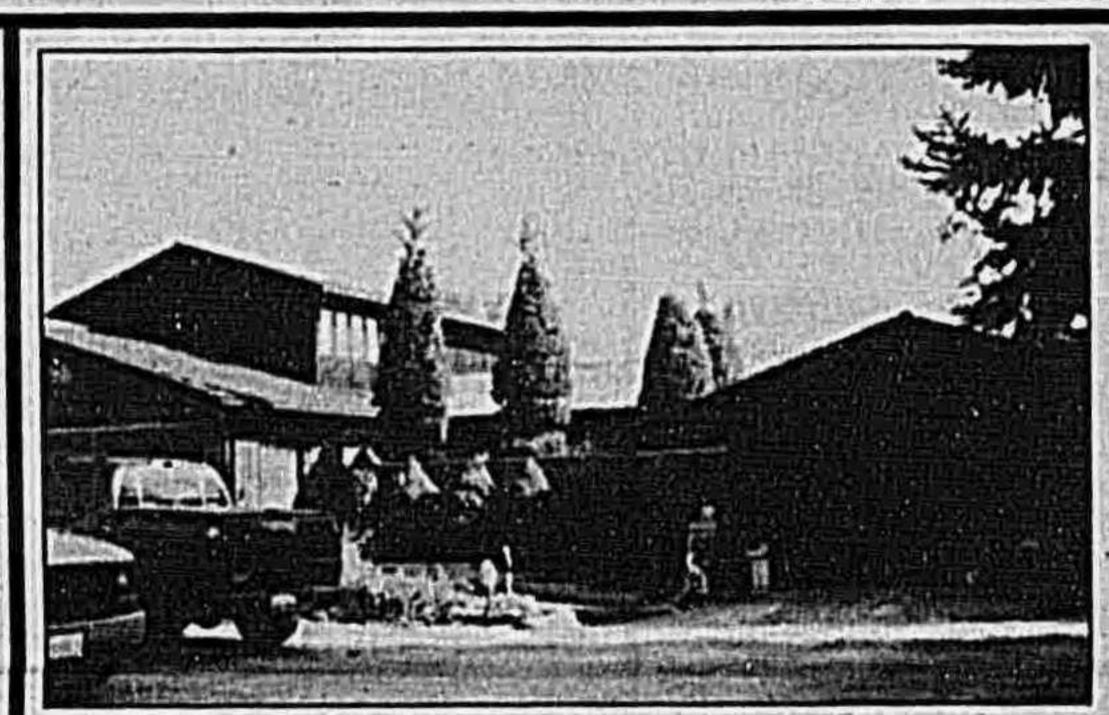
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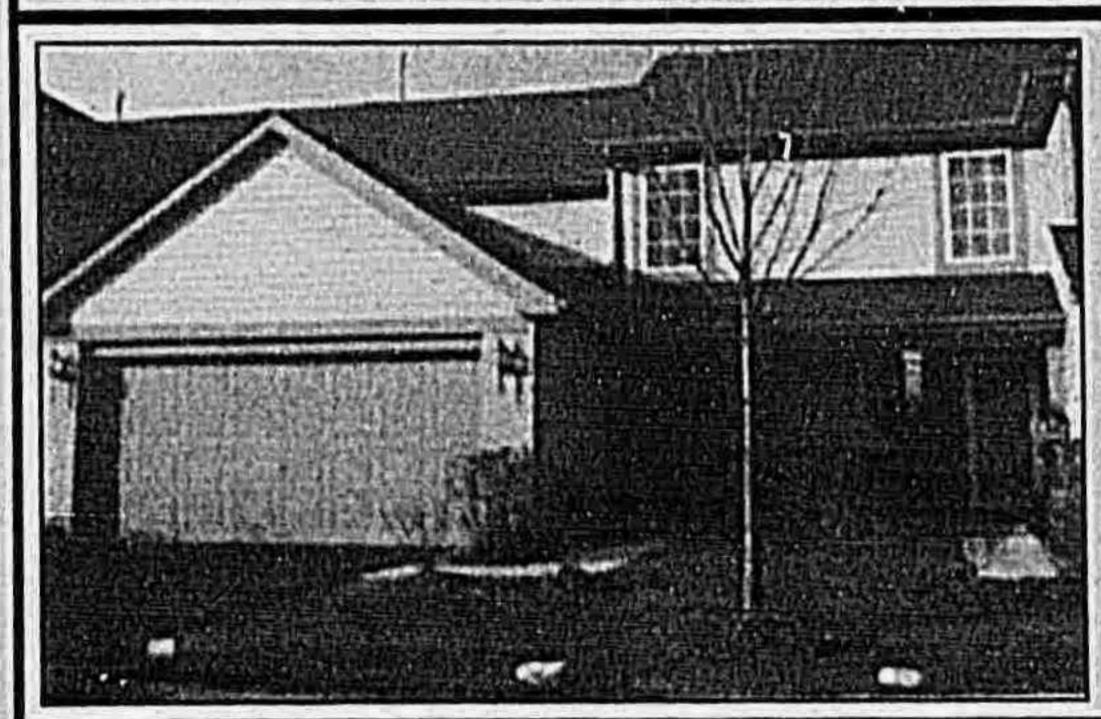
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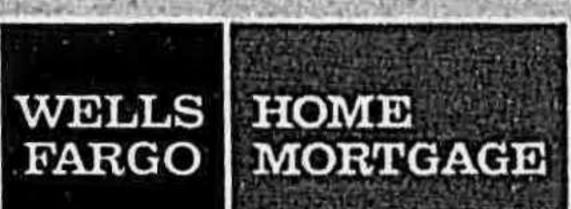
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## Baby boomers demand alternative style

his is a story of passion and passionate differences, experienced by couples facing the strategic and often wrenching shifts taking place on the home front. One aspires to live in a home filled with the warmth, beauty and romance of a log home, while the other agonizes over the concept.

Why are people drawn to log homes? According to surveys, nine out of 10 people who choose a log home say they made their decision because they liked its distinctive look. Given the weight of the aesthetics, why do so many couples agonize over the details?

For some, a little research can give pause. That's how it was for John and Katherine Overbee, who had long dreamed about building a log cabin as a retirement home. "We backed off a little," he said. "Unless you have a lot of time and money, the intricacies of solid log construction can be worrisome."

Even with all their uniqueness, there are basically two different types of solid log home construction: handcrafted, the most extreme log home, which may take years and millions to complete; and the milled D-log, in which the top, bottom and one side of the log are milled flat. With both methods, one log is stacked on top of another to form a wall, and then the roof is built off the walls. Proper allowances must be made around windows. doors, stairs, and cabinetry to allow the log walls to settle through the years.

"I love the look," says Katherine. "But it seemed like everyone we spoke with has had problems." The problem is the way cold air finds its way through the solid log wall.

"During the first three years the log walls can actually shrink and settle," John says, as he shows how he held a piece of paper by a log wall and watched it move from the air infiltration. "If a guy likes to caulk there's less of a problem," he adds with a smile.

So . . . should you go out on the limb? For many, like the Overbees, building a solid log home was not a logical decision. The solution came when the couple discovered a hybrid form of log home construction.

It was more than two decades ago when David Janczak, founder of Wisconsin Log Homes, began testing new-energy-efficient designs and introduced the Thermal-Log building system. To eliminate heat loss and stop the settling problems, Janczak designed a super-insulated, 6-inch thick-framed wall. Just as important, he also originated the precut half-logs with full log corners. In essence, he created an entirely new category of log home construction.

The insulated log home construction not only satisfied John but also gave him the peace of mind to build the home they dreamed about.

"I absolutely love it," says Katherine. "We're at home — it's a place of peace." Just under 2,000 square feet, it's a home of



The couple that built this house not only wanted a beautiful and peaceful place for daily life, but also wanted to be connected to nature.

pleasures for Katherine and John.

"We were surprised at how well this space accommodates our daily activities," Katherine says. The people at Wisconsin Log Homes suggested they look carefully at their lifestyle and how they really live.

"We cannot emphasize enough how important it is to work with a team of people who want to help you build your dream home," says John. "They guided us through every step of the process." He credits Wisconsin Log Homes for making their home a better place to live.

Katherine admits that she did get ahead of the process when she selected a 3,666square-foot floor plan within 10 minutes of paging through Wisconsin Log Homes planning guide. The 144-page catalog is filled with color photos and over 100 floorplans but most importantly, helpful building information to guide people in a logical sequence.

Upstairs, two bedrooms flank the bathroom. The loft doubles as an office. The open downstairs contains a kitchen, living and dining room, plus the master bedroom. Just off the dining area is a cozy room that Katherine uses as her art studio.

The Overbees were also delighted when they discovered that Wisconsin Log Homes

had a design center and an in-house interior designer for creative support. Working with an open floor plan, it was important to integrate the kitchen. Wood flooring connects the kitchen with the living and dining space. Lighting, cabinets and unique furnishings complement the elegant yet rustic log interirelief is

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## How to purchase a hot tub

uying a hot tub should not be stressful. In fact, according to a survey conducted by the National Spa and Pool Institute (NSPI), nearly 56 percent of hot tub owners say that stress relief is the number one reason for using their hot tub.

Before purchasing a spa, consumers should research the different products available on the market and determine the options best fitting their needs and lifestyle.

Hot tubs are purchased for numerous reasons, ranging from relieving stress through the physical benefits of hydrotherapy to increasing the value of your home. Regardless of your purpose, there is a hot tub that can meet your personal needs.

Prior to purchasing a hot tub, consumers should be aware of the following:

• How comfortable should your hot tub be? Victor Walker, a design engineer at. Dimension One Spas, said "Hot tub models feature contour seating providing consumers with different options based on preferences." When selecting a hot tub, don't be afraid to personally test its comfort-level. Most retail outlets allow customers a "wet test." Some retailers even offer "mood rooms" for you to test soak in a hot tub before buying it. Take advantage of this opportunity if it is available.

Another consideration is the placement of the jets.

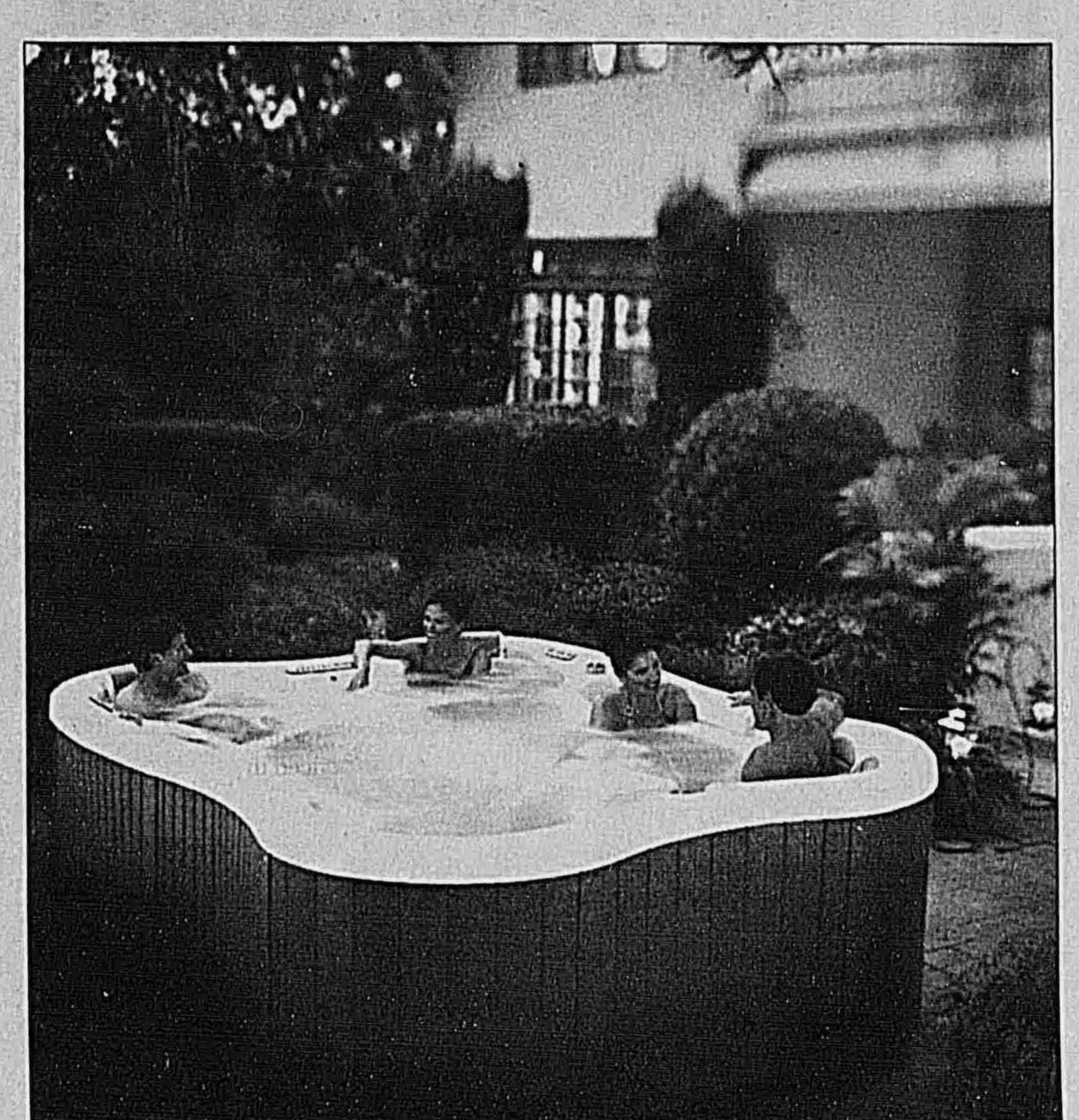
There are models that include adjustable jets to allow for the maximum comfort and hydromassage benefits.

• How easy should your hot tub be to maintain? In a word, effortless. Both the inside and the outside of your hot tub should be simple to maintain. Consumers should purchase a spa that is equipped with Envirotect cabinets or a similar option, as cabinets with wood stains fade from weather and normal wear, thus requiring frequent staining and sealing touch-ups. Additionally, the inside shell should be easily spot-cleaned with a damp towel or sponge.

 How clean should your hot tub water be? Your water should always be clear and debris free. One suggestion is to purchase a hot tub that utilizes a 24-hour ozonation process. Considered one of the most advanced technologies available, the ozonation process helps to clean and purify the water, reduce chemical use and increase hot tub energy efficiency.

• How dependable should your hot tub be? Like most purchases, you should feel safe and happy with your hot tub. When selecting a hot tub, be aware of the manufacturer's warranty. Some manufacturers offer a lifetime warranty on the structure and surface of the hot tub – be sure to ask your dealer about the policy on the model you select.

• How "intelligent" should your hot tub be? Your hot tub should basically run itself. Consumers should be mindful that there are hot tub models that feature high-tech message centers. The digital message center provides consumers with reminders regarding spa maintenance, i.e., when to change the filter and/or water. —By Christine Fox



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## Mother follows son to Lakewood Grove

he family affair all started when Dan and Katie Connelly became the first buyers in a new home develop-

Dan was so enamored with the country-influenced atmosphere, the pre-construction pricing and the overall look and feel of the neighborhood that he told his mother, Barb Connelly, that she better come out and take a look around. That's exactly what Barb did and now she will be joining her son at Lakewood Grove in Round Lake, Barb and Dan will live just a couple blocks apart.

"We currently live in Mundelein and my mom lives in Elmwood Park. Katie and I wanted to stay in the area and had a plan to be in a new home by this year," Dan said. "We've been married for one year and are hoping to start a family and wanted a larger home with more features. When we first visited Lakewood Grove, I couldn't believe the amazingly low prices."

Lakewood Grove is a 438-acre masterplanned clubhouse neighborhood that features a scenic meadowland with country club-style recreational amenities. The community's layout reserves over 30 percent of its land plan for lush open green space and protected wetland areas. The neighborhood highlights numerous parks, multiple ponds, a lake and miles of walking and biking paths.

When Dan and Katie visited Lakewood Grove, they immediately had a good feeling. They were excited to become part of the initial community and liked the thought of the neighborhood growing up around them. Since Lakewood Grove offered such a

wide selection of home styles, Dan had been thinking it would be nice to have mom living at the community as well. It wasn't too long before Dan convinced his mother, Barb, to visit the community and take a look around.

Barb had been living in Elmwood Park for 33 years and had been considering a move, but wasn't quite sure what type of home she wanted or where she would want to move.

"I had been wanting to downsize after living in a single-family home, but didn't think my budget would allow me to buy something new," Barb said.

For their home at Lakewood Grove, Dan and Katie selected the Jefferson model, a spacious two-story single-family home that measures 2,366 square feet. Their home has all the space they had hoped to find, with four bedrooms, 2-1/2 baths, a first floor den and a luxury master suite with private bath and walkin closet.

"We both really like the openness of this floor plan. When we toured the models at Lakewood Ridge in Bolingbrook, the look of the two-story foyer and the way the first floor felt was very open and inviting to us," said Dan. "Both Katie and I love to cook and the large kitchen will be great. The wide-open space of the kitchen and family room is terrific. I'm also looking forward to relaxing in the den and being able to read a good book."

Lakewood Grove is located at Route 60 and Bacon Road in Round Lake. The sales center is open daily from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and by appointment. For more information, call 847-740-8888 or visit www.lakewoodhomes.com.



Young marrieds Dan and Katie Connelly, left, set the pace, selecting a new home in a new development. Barb Connelly and David decided to follow suit, becoming neighbors after living in a close-in suburb for years.

## Turn on the lights during showings

Most agents will agree that the brighter a house is, the easy it is to sell. Buyers don't want to purchase a house that looks dreary, so make sure you have all the lights on when you have a showing. Better yet, keep the lights on in case you have a surprise showing later in the day. It's a good idea to replace fixtures with fresh bulbs of at least 100 watts (first make sure your lamp won't melt with wattage that high) and consider buying an inexpensive but nice lamp for any part of the house that needs additional lighting — it is better to overwhelm buyers with a bright house than let anyone feel the house is too dark. If you're worried about the electricity bill, don't be. This is part of the cost of the cost of selling your home.









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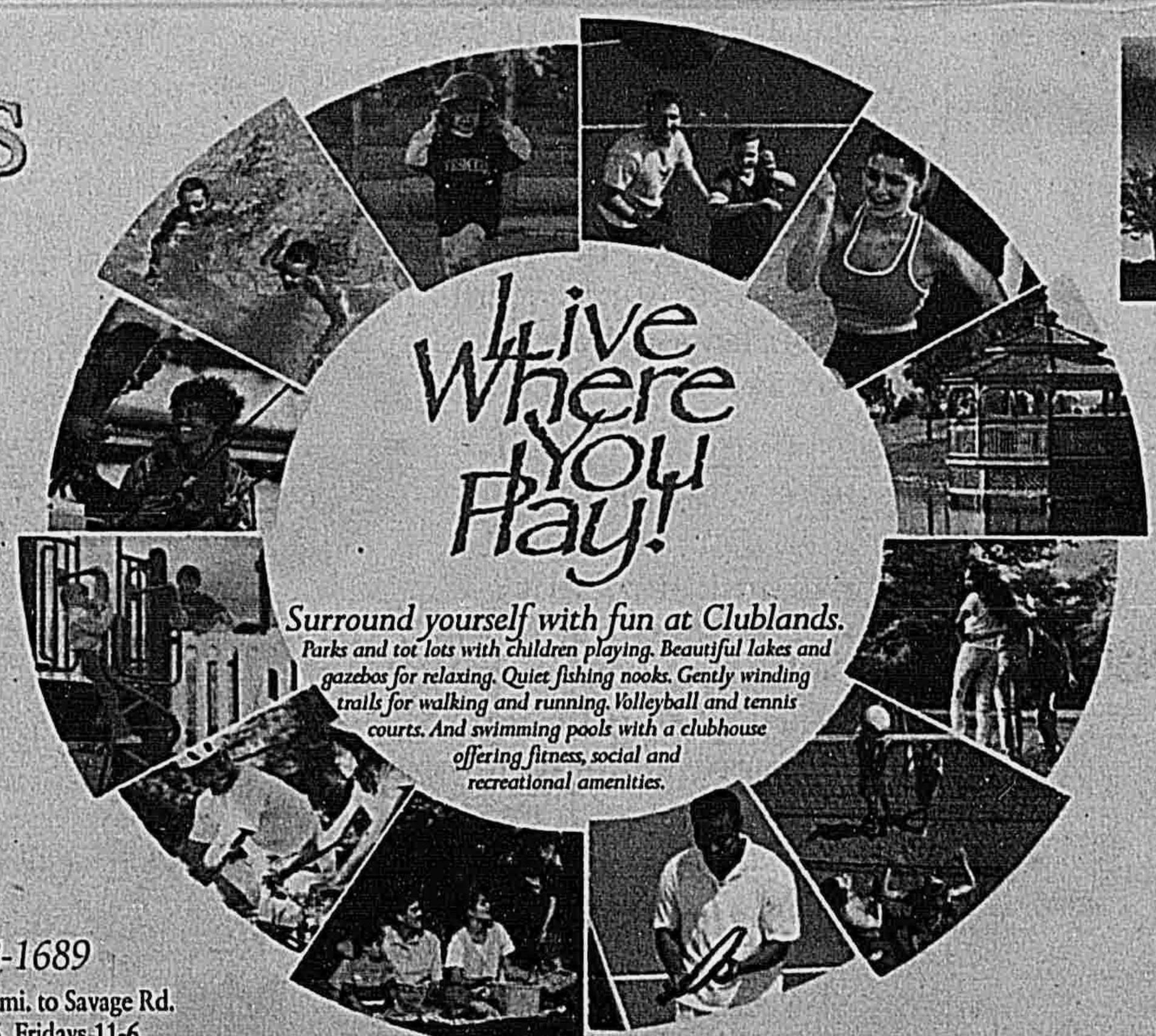
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